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ROOSEVELT SCORES AGAIN

PRESIDENT'S STRONG STAND FOR FAIR PLAY

WINS APPLAUSE OF RACE EVERYWHERE

Bishop Gaines Voices the Thanks of Our People and Acknowledges Debt to Party of Lincoln The Philadelphia Convention.

Special Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—The letter of President Roosevelt directing the Attorney-General of the United States to proceed immediately to enforce the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission that railroads separating white and colored passengers must furnish equal accommodations for the same money, comes to the suffering Negroes of the Southern States as a draught of fresh air in a superheated chamber of horrors. The letter was inspired by a series of significant incidents. First, there was the suit of Georgia Edwards, a colored woman, against the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, in which it was clearly established that this road practiced discrimination in the matter of accommodations furnished white and colored passengers, the latter getting an inferior service. Then came the protest of the colored Bishops of the A. M. E. Church, who brought forward convincing evidence that not only the road in question was guilty of evading the order of the Interstate Commerce Commission, but that the Southern, Seaboard Aair Line and other lines were likewise ignoring the plainly expressed edict. Then the commission, to satisfy itself as to the correctness of the allegations made by many colored persons traveling in the South, carried on an investigation on its own account, sending out a trusted and intelligent colored man to make a trip on the various roads to attempt to secure the same accommodation for his money as was being accorded the whites and to report his experience to the commission. To make assurance doubly sure, the commission detailed two white inspectors to follow the colored man and to overhear the requests made of the roads by him, to note the replies of their ticket sellers and other officials and to take cognizance of the treatment received by him at every turn. As a result the conditions complained of by the Bishops and other reputable colored people were more than verified. The service offered the secret emissary of the commission was even worse than had been pictured by any of the previous complainants, and the evidence was such that the President and the commission felt warranted in taking vigorous steps at once to correct the evils which have been making travel such a terrible ordeal that many Negroes refrained from patronizing the railroads rather than endure the disgusting conditions imposed upon them.

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The President's language in discussing the shortcomings of the roads and in upholding the authority of the Interstate Commission is very strong and to the point. He does not enter into the merits of the separation question in its moral aspect, but nails them hard on the square-toed proposition that since there is nothing in the law to prevent the separation of the races, the State law and the regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission do require that the accommodations furnished each race shall be equal; therefore, he puts it up to them to obey this law or the Department of Justice will take steps by injunction or otherwise to see that the statutes are properly respected. The President's attitude is firm, without the semblance of bluster, and it looks as if the solution of one phase of the so-called "jim crow" car law is approaching a satisfactory solution. The plea of the railroads that equal accommodations cannot be furnished Negro passengers without financial loss will prove to be of no avail. If they will avail themselves of the privilege of separation they must be prepared to stand any loss or inconvenience occasioned by their policy. The law must be obeyed to the letter. The lesson is being taught by the President that race prejudice comes high, and if it must be indulged in the dancers will have to pay the fiddler. The race is heartened beyond measure by this straightforward and unequivocal stand of the President in behalf of the colored people of the South, and his praises are being sung everywhere because of it. Bishop Gaines, presiding over the Baltimore Conference of the A. M. E. Church, which was in session last week, said to an immense audience at Metropolitan Church:

"I must thank the President for his effort in trying to secure us proper accommodations on railroads in the South. I was one of those wro protested to the Interstate Commerce Commission in February against the abominable accommodations some of the roads provided for our people, and we owe our gratitude to President Roosevelt for his strong and earnest effort to have the railroads provide for us suitably."

The tremendous applause evoked by the Bishop's remarks indicated that he voiced the sentiments of the great body, and it is expected that the press and Negro masses throughout the country will join in the rejoicing that is so apparent in this section, where the blighting hand of the "jim crow" spirit has been felt so painfully.

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From the reports brought here by eye-witnesses the widely advertised "race conference" at Philadelphia on the 7th was a disgraceful farce. The proceedings, which were of the "star-chamber" variety, began with a row and ended with a riot. Only those were admitted to the inner recesses of the charmed circle who would pledge themselves to support Bryan in the event of the nomination of Secretary Taft at Chicago. Representative men, whose loyalty to the best interests of the race was absolutely unassailable, were refused admittance because they would not agree to any such dangerous proposition, and because the managers feared that their well-laid plans would be smashed if free thought and free speech were permitted. William Monroe Trotter, editor of the mud-slinging Boston Guardian, presided, in consonance with the cut-and-dried program, although the convention made it plain that it preferred Bishop Walters. A conservative report placed the attendance at forty, and it was said that as many were on the outside as there were in the convention. The proceedings inside went on about as scheduled, for no opposing delegates were admitted, and those who would not promise compliance with the anti-Taft provision were declared ineligible. Among those who were excluded were Editor W. Calvin Chase, of the Washington Bee; Editor A. E. Manning, of the Indianapolis World; Editor H. C. C. Astwood, of the Defender, and about forty others. Ex-Congressman George H. White was excommunicated because he would not take the extreme position and wanted to have everybody admitted who had come to the conference. A. H. Grimke had a hard time getting in and did not stay long after he found out that he was persona non grata. Some of the participants in the conference were Bishop Alexander Walters, Rev. J. Milton Waldron, Rev. S. L. Corrothers, Rev. G. W. Lee, Rev. R. C. Ransom, Rev. L. G. Jordan, Rev. G. L. P. Taliaferro, Rev. W. H. Scott, William Monroe Trotter and Granville Martin. Prof. DuBois, L. M. Hershaw and F. H. M. Murray, of the Washington Horizon, were conspicuous by their absence, and the redoubtable James H. Hayes did not show up, according to the report handed to your correspondent. The Philadelphia ministers evinced little interest in the gathering, fearing that a policy too radical for the welfare of the race would be adopted, and Editor Chris J. Parry took a trip to Washington. The consensus of opinion is that the conference served no good purpose and may be set down as a failure.

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The conference, however, proved to be a "double-header." With Editor W. Calvin Chase as president and Dr. J. G. Robinson, of Dayton, O., as secretary, a second meeting was held in the basement of the Zion Baptist Church under the called meeting and a declaration was unanimously adopted to the effect that all efforts to align the race with any party not friendly to the civil and political rights of the Negro is unwise, and that the best interests of our people will be subserved by supporting the nominee of the Republican national convention. It was further declared that "the exercise of conservatism and far-sightedness is absolutely necessary at this time, and that all radical speeches or abusive utterances can but do harm to the race." This address was signed by W. Calvin Chase, C. D. Cooley, William H. Cahill, George N. Gaines and J. G. Robinson. It was the sense of the second convention, and their report to the country seems to meet with very general endorsement, that the Negro voters of the nation should be free to express their preferences for President up to the Chicago convention and do all they honorably can to carry off the prize for their han, but when the result is announced we must stand by the nominee, whoever he may be, rather than invite disaster by betraying our people into the hands of the party of Heflin, Tillman, Vardaman and Jeff Davis.

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On this latter point your correspondent may again very pertinently quote Bishop Gaines' admirable message to the A. M. E. Conference. Said this stalwart defender of Christ and the church:

"If the Democrats gain control of this Government the Negro will be in a worse position than ever, and it is pissible his freedom would even be curtailed. I am not one of that crowd of us who call themselves Republicans and yet would support a Democratic candidate for Presilent because of a mistake by the President. I believe in fighting the battles within our party, and in voting for its nominee, though he may not be our first choice. It is not right for us to be so bitterly denouncing the leading white men of this country, for if tht whitt men, North or South, unites against us our condition would be well-nigh hopeless. I know many fine men who are Democrats, but tht traditions of the party are against us. We are unler 10,000 obligations to the party of Lincoln, as it broke the fetters that held you and mt when the Democratic party sought to bind them all the tighter."

One of the visiting ministers said to your rtporter: "The issue here today practically simmers down to this proposition: Will tht Negro masses accept the wisdom of Bishop Gaines or will he follow the rattle-brained ltadership of William Monroe Trotter?"

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Lieuttnant Frank W. Chetk, who served with Secretary Taft in the Philippints whtn the latter was Govtrnor-General, and who is able to sptak with authority on the subjtct, is out in a strong letter calling attention to Mr. Taft's many acts of kindness to the dark-skinned people of the islands and his liberal treatment of the colored soldiers stationed there. Lieutenant Cheek, who is a young man of excellent judgment and conservative in statement, concludes his splendid letter as follows:

"It has been said that the Filipino is of Negro origin. If this be true and had Secretary Taft the least tinge of race prejudice in his makeup he failed entirely to show it in his treatment of these people. Had he treated them differently there might have been some room for the criticisms which are now being hurled at him without reason by some of the colored would-be leaders of the country. * * * I believe and know that Secretary Taft has been one of the best friends the colored soldier has had, and should he be elected to succeed President Roosevelt I am sure they will be given justice, no more and no less than they deserve."

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Senator McLaurin, whose objection to the clause in the bill to reimburse the depositors of the ill-fated Freedmen's Bank, providing that moneys unclaimed should go toward the education of the Negroes in the South, resulted in the elimination of that provision from the bill, is a Democrat. "Nuf ced."

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It is a pleasure to be able to report that the statement going the rounds of the press that the Republican convention at Lynchburg, Va., repudiated the Negro and declared the G. O. P. to be "a white man's party," is absolutely false. S. Brown Allen, United States Marshal of the Western District of Virginia, called on the President a day or two ago and in telling of the proceedings at Lynchburg said to Mr. Roosevelt:

"There is no truth in the newspaper stories that the convention sloughed off the Negroes from the party and declared the party a white man's affair. There was one or two intemperate speeches, such as will happen at every convention, but there was no action of the convention to justify any such statement as has been made. The contests that are spoken of as having been decided against the Negroes were settled strictly upon their merits."

Virginia is said to be the only Southern State to hold a convention without a rump convention also. The delegates from the State are all for Taft. The claim is made with much consistency that the animus behind the report that the Negroes were unhorsed was the desire on the part of the anti-Taft people to further intensify the feelings of the colored voters against the candidacy of Secretary Taft.

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Tentative arrangements have been made to adjourn Congress about May 10.

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Charles W. M. Williams and Dr. S. E. Courtney ran for delegate-at-large at the Massachusetts State convention held at Boston, but were defeated because of their failure to mass their votes on the stronger of the two.

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New York's hustling colored Republicans are jubilant over the election of Charles W. Anderson, of Erie county, as an alternate delegate-at-large to the Chicago convention. As everybody knows, Mr. Anderson is Collector of Internal Revenue for the Second District of the State, the first colored man to receive an appointment of this character in the North. He is the first colored man in the history of the Republican party in New York to be elected an alternate-at-large to a national convention. Mr. Anderson and his associates were instructed to vote for Hughes.

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Secretary Taft continues to pick up delegates at a lively pace. The summary for the week is given as follows: The total number of delegates elected this week, 120, brings the grand total up to 420, of which 234 are claimed for Secretary Taft, without taking into consideration the support he is cer-

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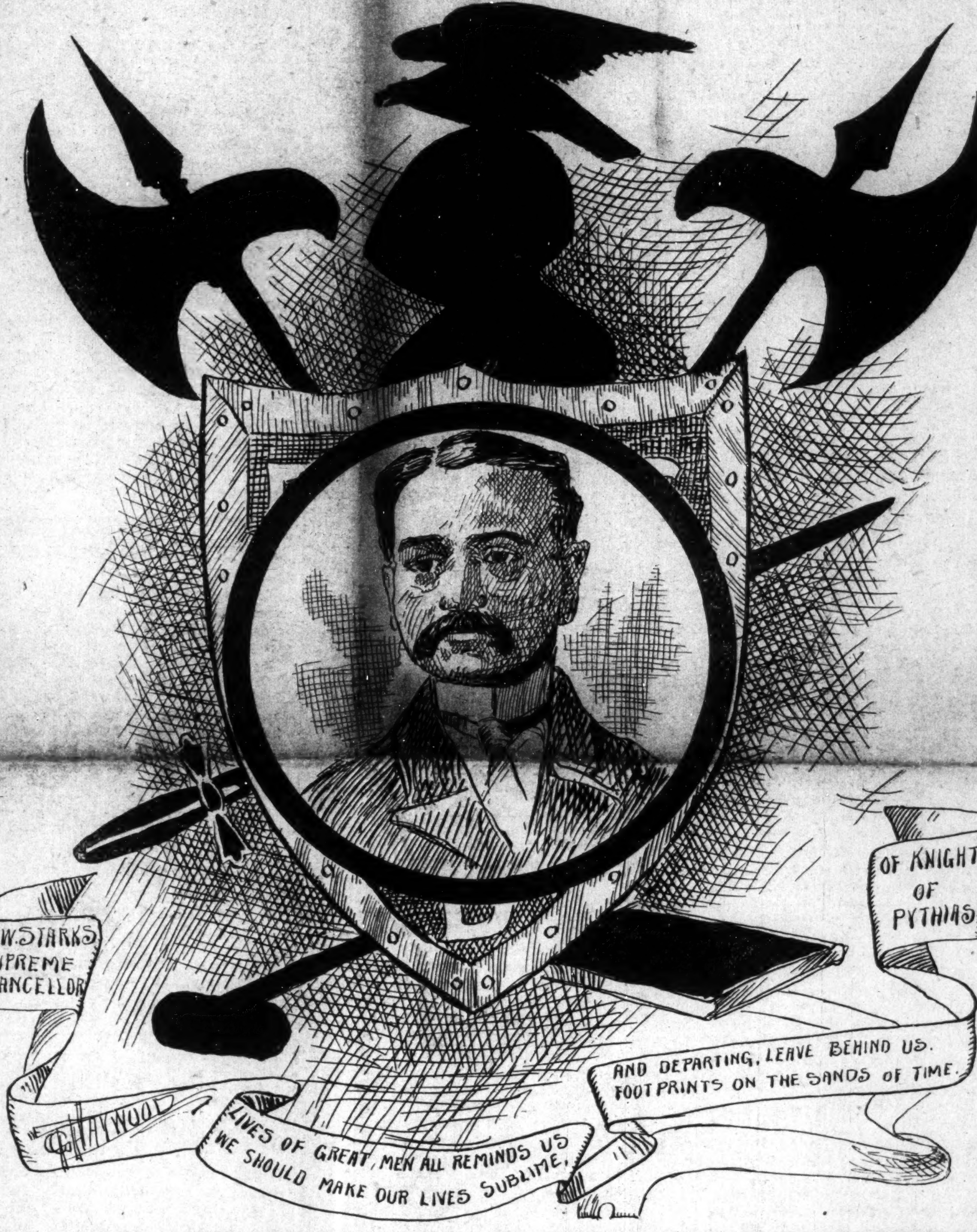
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FOOTPRINTS ON THE SANDS OF TIME.
G. HAYWOOD

Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL MEETING

LARGE AUDIENCE HEARS GOVERNOR WILSON

PETITION FOR LIBRARY ON EAST SIDE

Exhibition of Paintings—Central High School Alumni Meets—Steward-Black Nuptials The Champaign Club to Entertain.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 16.—Special.—Gov. A. E. Willson addressed the Young Men's Christian Association last Sunday at its annual meeting at the Fifth Street Baptist Church. There was in attendance one of the largest crowds in the history of the association, it being an evidence of the high appreciation of the newly elected Governor and the effort being put forth to help make better young men in the city by work at this institution.

The Governor spoke about thirty minutes, during which time he lauded those who are members of the association. He said that by identifying themselves with the Y. M. C. A. they made of themselves better citizens and helped the State. He expressed keen pleasure at having been granted an opportunity to address the representative men and women of the race and told them that he had ever contended that under the law all men had an equal voice in all things that effect the State and country. He said that he never posed as a special friend of any particular set of people and that his aim in life was a square deal for all. He said, however, that he did not believe there is a race of people on the face of the globe that has more generous impulses than the colored people. He commented upon the spirit manifested at the meeting when he saw so many giving liberally for the benefit of the institution.

"I am glad this institution is started," said Gov. Willson. "I know it will go on to bless you people. It has cost money, but there is not a thing God has given us, that is worth having, that we are not required to pay for.

"It has required hard work to get this institution to start and get it on its feet, but work is a blessing to everybody who does it. It has moved you to something that will make your life attractive about you. Then there comes the fruit of your work. You have earned it, and no one can take it from you. The work of this association has made better men who in turn are constantly influencing other men to become better citizens. The State is made up of the people, and the people make the State. When you understand that principle, what is its bearing on this meeting here today? The bearing is simply this: If all the people are good, then all the State is good. If part of the people are bad, then part of the State is bad. Every man who joins the association becomes a better citizen, and the more good citizens we have, the better the State."

Mr. F. C. Nunemacher and Capt. J. H. Leathers made splendid addresses. Mrs. Grace Allen of Burlington, Iowa, delivered one of those short and catching addresses, in which she spoke of the Women's Christian Association. Secretary C. H. Bullock read his report for the year 1907. The report showed a remarkable increase over the previous year. The Mursegia Club furnished the music with Roy Tibbs as organist and G. M. McClellan as director. Prof. A. E. Meyzeek introduced Mr. Nunemacher, and Prof. James Givens introduced the Governor.

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The wedding of Miss Nettie Steward and Mr. James H. Black took place Wednesday night, April 15, at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride, 825 Eighth street. It was one of the largest home weddings ever witnessed here. Some several hundred or more people were present at some time between the hours of 8:30 and 11 o'clock p. m. to see the newly married couple and to wish them a happy and prosperous life. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. H. Frank, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, of which both parties are members. Mr. John S. Hopson acted as best man and Miss Carolyne Steward, the sister, acted as bridesmaid. The wedding cere-

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IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

EASTER.

Day, O! Day!
O! Glorious Day!
Day of our risen Lord and King.
O! how I love to hear them sing—
The birds, the bees and everything,
Which has a voice to praise our King!

On wings of light
With pinions bright,
They flit from tree to tree,
Bringing their voices of wondrous melodies
Into one vast strain of praise that is outpoured,
When sweet Spring rises up to greet our Lord.

Eastertide, O! Eastertide!
O! Glorious, beautiful Eastertide!
Would thou with us always abide.
Under the beautiful Heavens so blue,
Amidst chiming bells and chorusing voices,
Our glorious, beautiful Easter is passing.

—MARY ORA SMITH,
Oswego, Ill.

EASTER SUNDAY.

This year Easter falls on Sunday, April 19. Each year beginning several weeks before Easter, inquiries come into a newspaper office asking how the date for this event, the greatest in the Christian calendar, is determined, as it is a movable feast. And each year these inquiries are answered with this formula:

Easter comes on the first Sunday after the fourteenth day of the calendar moon, which falls upon or next after the 21st of March; if the fourteenth day comes on a Sunday, Easter will be the Sunday following.

Easter is clearly an adaptation of the Jewish passover to the later needs of the Christian Church. For many years Easter occurred at different periods in different countries and to-day the Greek Church, still holding out stoutly against the calendar as revised by Pope Gregory, is thirteen days out of joint.

In 387, history tells us, the churches of Gaul kept Easter on March 21; the Italian churches April 18, while in Egypt that same year Easter was kept on April 25. It was not until 669 that all the churches fell into line to celebrate Easter on one and the same day, and that day to be Sunday. England was the last to accept the rule.

These differences of reckoning were not even then entirely reconciled until 1752, when the new style was adopted by the United Kingdom in place of the old style, when the Julian calendar, after a long struggle against the innovation, gave way to the Gregorian.

Significance of Eggs.

Eggs have a significance at Easter understood by few of those who color them for their children. The egg in some form or other has been the unquestioned type of the new life from the very dawn of the Christian era. As Easter represents a new birth into the best life of all, it is easily seen how the pagan idea that the egg was the beginning of all kinds of life should become purified in the minds of Christians and accepted as the typical offering of good wishes and emblematic of pleasant hopes among believers of the glad Easter day.

CARD PLAYERS ARE GAMBLERS,

Says the Rev. F. C. Hopkins, of Chicago.

Men and women learn to play the piano without wanting to bet every time they sit down to the instrument that they can play faster than some one else. They can learn to dance without wanting to bet they can remain on the floor until everybody else is exhausted. They can go to the theater and enjoy it without gambling that they can remember more lines of the play than the man on the other side of the aisle; but as soon as men and women learn to play cards the amusement loses its interest if there is not a stake. Herein lies the danger and the evil in card playing.

The prize may be $100,000, such as some newspaper dream writer recently said exchanged hands at a poker game, or it may be a water bottle or $5, "to buy what you prefer, you know," or just car fare, or "a little house money." It is the prize men and women play for and not the mere pleasure. If you do not believe this, take the trouble to learn how many card parties have long existed without prizes.

Card playing destroys the art of conversation, discourages sociability, limits the social sphere, turns what should be friendly meetings into money-making chances, sets a bad example, and the inveterate card player is a useless citizen.

ARE NOT MARRYING ARMY MEN.

Girls Turn Down the Wearers of Uncle Sam's Uniform.

"Girls will not marry army men now until the men establish themselves in civil life, and vacancies at West Point that used to be sought eagerly go begging," says Lieut. Col. Edwin F. Glenn, Twenty-third Infantry. He attributes this destruction of home life to the expansion of the United States into a world power without corresponding expansion of the army. When the Spanish war started, he says, there were twenty-five regiments of infantry and ten of cavalry. Now there are only thirty of infantry and fifteen cavalry regiments. The health of the troops can stand only two years in the tropics, and they should have four years at home to recuperate. With fifteen regiments scheduled for the tropics, one for Alaska, and only fourteen for home duty, the necessary relief from tropical service was impossible.

"A Filipino house," Glenn says, "keeps out the sun and part of the rain, but it abounds in creeping things of all kinds, including lizards and snakes. Women stand this because they are fools about their husbands."

Glenn has appealed to the Daughters of the American Revolution to help by arousing public sympathy.

FEMALE TENACITY OF LIFE.

Statistics show that women have a greater tenacity of life than men. Among insects the male perishes at a relatively earlier period. Female quadrupeds have more endurance than males. In the human race, says the New York Weekly, despite the intellectual and physical strength of the man, the woman endures longest and will bear pain to which the strong man succumbs. Zymotic diseases are more fatal to males and more male children die than females. The proportion dying suddenly is about 100 women to 780 men. Intemperance, apoplexy, gout, hydrocephalus, affections of the heart and liver, scrofula and paralysis are far more fatal to males than females. Pulmonary consumption, on the other hand, is more deadly to the latter. The married state is favorable to prolongation of life among both men and women.

Miss Emily Scroggins, of Oklahoma City, has charge of the musical department of the Creek Seminole College.

To the list of titled ladies who are devoting their time and energies to the conducting of successful businesses must now be added the name of Lady Algernon Gordon-Lennox, who has hit on the idea of starting a fruit bottling industry. Lady Gordon-Lennox is such a sound organizer that the success of this new departure is almost assured. Her sister, Lady Warwick, it may be remembered, made a splendid success of her milliner's shop in Bond Street, while one of Lord Amherst of Hackney's daughters has done splendidly as a gardener. Perhaps the most curious enterprise yet entered upon by a peeress is that of Ellen, Countess of Desart, who has started tobacco growing in County Kilkenny. In Ireland, too, is to be found the successful violet farm run by Lady Aileen Wyndham-Quin.—Tit-Bits.

CASSOPOLIS, PA.

At the New Hope Baptist Church Sunday Rev. William Gibson, of Pittsburg, preached a wonderful sermon in the morning. At 3 p. m., communion services. .... At A. M. E. Zion Church Rev. Mrs. S. V. Stout preached to a large congregation at both services. .... The literary club meets every Friday night at the A. M. E. Church and have a fine program, meeting with great success. .... Miss Mary Rucker, of Seinckley, Pa., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith several days last week. .... Mr. Edward Banks, of Point Pleasant, W. Va., is visiting friends here for several days. .... Mrs. Kennard, of Mulberry Street who has been quite sick, is still very ill. ....Arthur Winston, of Pittsburg, was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Winton, Monday.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Miss Lottie Dix, one of Clarksville's highest esteemed young ladies, loved by all, died last Monday night, March 30. She was a devoted Christian and organist of her church, Fifth Ward Baptist Church, from which church her funeral was conducted on the 1st by Revs. Goodall and D. J. Irvin. Six of her schoolmates were pallbearers. . Miss Birdie Barker, another one of Clarksville's highly respected young ladies, died on the 31st and was buried on the 1st...The remains of Coffie Peachers were brought home from Paducah, Ky., and were buried on the 2d...Chas. Wair is recovering from a long spell of rheumatism... Peter Barker of Louisville, Ky., is in the city on account of the death of his sister.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Sunday afternoon, April 5, the True Reformers held their annual sermon at the Second Christian Church. Rev. W. T. Lee delivered an interesting sermon; subject, "The Sun Do Move." The church was crowded...Elder Bacote of the Second Baptist Church baptized several candidates at the foot of Main street last Sunday after the morning service...Rev. Peck of Allen Temple preached at the above church Sunday morning and Bishop Grant was out and spoke a few words of encouragement. There were some emorlings and their baptizing will be in the pool next Sunday morning...The churches are all preparing for a good Easter program...Remember A. T. Stewart is the agent for The Freeman at 719 Charlotte street.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Rev. Perkins' revival at the Mt. Carmel Church, has been quite a success for the past two weeks. .... The Twentieth Century Dramatic Concert Company gave their first concert on Friday, April 10, at the A. M. E. Church, for the benefit of the church and the Y. M. C. A., under the management of Prof. W. R. Woods, and assisted by the Fig Four orchestra. .... Rev. B. S. Williams, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, raised $134 with his grand rally. .... The Big Four orchestra has just finished its three-weeks' engagement at the E. C. Neely big store in Front Street, with great success. Prof. W. B. Jones general manager, W. M. Tuncel leader.

THE REAL WHITTIER.

When thinking of John Greenleaf Whittier, we are more than likely to associate him with the abolition movement only. This view of him does not permit his full value, does not show his saintly side, nor his broader philanthropy which included the idea of universal peace. He was eminently for peace, bending his great energy to that end, sang of it, preached of it. In his gigantic struggle with slavery he meant the clearing of obstacles from the path that led to its permanence, viewing it rightly that it could not obtain with any degree of certainty under the then existing circumstances.

If one thinks that Whittier enjoyed physical strife, let him read as follows and see the poet as he was—a humanitarian, interested in the elevation of the human family, deeming it the elect of the Creator, and deserving in every part—each member, the consideration enjoyed by every other part—any member:

"The brawny butcher-work of men whose wits, like those of Ajax, lie in their sinews, is no realization of my ideal of true courage. My admiration of heroic achievement has found new and better objects. I have learned to appreciate what Milton calls the martyr's 'unresistible might of meekness,'—the calm, uncomplaining endurance of those who can bear up against persecution uncheered by sympathy or applause and, with a full and keen appreciation of the value of all which they are called to sacrifice, confront danger and death in unselfish devotion to duty. Fox, preaching through his prison gates or rebuking Oliver Cromwell in the midst of his soldier court; Henry Vane beneath the axe of the headsman; Mary Dyer on the scaffold at Boston; Luther closing his speech at Worms with the sublime emphasis of his 'Here stand I; I can not otherwise; God help me'; William Penn defending the rights of Englishmen from the bale deck of the Fleet prison; Clarkson climbing the decks of Liverpool slave ships; Howard penetrating the infected dungeons; meek Sisters of Charity breathing contagion in thronged hospitals—all these, and such as these, now help me to form the loftier ideal of Christian heroism."

It will be seen that the red flare of war was no entrancing theme to him; he had but little admiration for the hostile field with its pitted might. He greatly preferred the superior conquest, the supreme victory, and under the bloodless banneret of love. He saw heroism in vicarious suffering and dying, that others might live. He, as will be noted, greatly emphasizes that side and which really seems to be a sleeping "faculty" of the heart and which is only aroused at times when closer and dearer interests are menaced. Most men will risk great personal danger in caring for their immediate families, proving at once that the sense of preservation is with them, even if unextended to mankind generally. It is this "sense" that Whittier would see buoyed up, making the universe of mankind the object of love and care and in some such manner as it is extended between the members of the same family. Such consideration seems to have been the Christly mission and not without success. As a rule, where Christianity is, more charity is there also. But the poet knew that much more should be done if the ideal were to be reached or anything like its approximation.

Whittier waged against war as he did against slavery. Where there were opportunity he sang and his heart was in the singing. When the Peace Congress of Brussels met in in 1848, he was found doing his part, writing mightily, as if inspired. And were he yet living, he would still register against that custom which adhers to the world,a nd to which it clings with a tenacity worthy of a more righteous cause.

"Sing the bridal of nations! with chorals of love
Sing out the war-vulture and sing in the dove,
Till the hearts of the peoples keep time in accord,
And the voice of the world is the voice of the Lord!"

The question is yet before the world. Seek ye this day whom ye will serve.

Will battleships be the insignia of power, for awe, thus keeping up the spirit of antagonism "from on high," as it were, from where 'twill have easy descent, still percolating downward, still polluting?

Then again with the poet who aptly pictures the horrors of war:

"Under a rain of fire; through wards of woe
Down which a groaning diapason runs
From tortured brothers, husbands, lovers, sons
Of desolate women in their far-off homes,
Waiting to hear the step that never comes!
O mena nd brothers! let that voice be heard.
War fails, try peace; put up the useless sword!"

THE "WETS" MAKE A SUCCESSFUL "SORTIE."

After making a crusade on the dives the liquor people in Texas have won back into the "wet" columns fourteen counties in that State. The well-conducted, law-abiding places are not, it appears, especially offensive; they have gotten themselves in bad by evil associations. The low resorts are responsible for the woes, the babbling and the redness of eyes. "A drink and pass on law" would be the means of mitigating much of the evil. It does not stand to reason that liquor drinking will be abolished. If it is not in the "open and notorious" saloon, then it is in your most secret of places, via the "Original Package Route," "speakeasies" and other hypocritical avenues which men will invent. The attempt to rout the business, however, will not be without some good, according to the logic of those so interested. The amount of liquor consumed would not be nearly so great, since men would not have the free and easy access to it. It would mean money in the pocket to a class of weak-minded men who cannot see a saloon without dropping in as long as there is a dime left. It would mean much to the families of such men. Yet it must be admitted that the crime and misery of former days resulting from the saloon are not nearly so great in this day, and bids fair to become less and less as civilization advances.

The most that should be expected is that the laws regulating saloons be observed to the letter. They open earlier and close later than most any other business; they should be satisfied. The dive should receive police attention—should not be allowed as a loitering place. Both of the parties in Indiana have spoken and the saloon man ought to sit up and take notice if he does not expect interruption in his business. Local option is in the air, where the right to remove the saloons is reserved to the people. This being the case, the saloon men should come pretty clean; if not, they will find their occupation gone.

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Mr. L. L. Warren, who has been on the sick list for the past ten days, is in line again at the Moser Hotel. Among the host of friends who stood close to him was Mr. William Moore Jenning, who was the most prominent figure. He deserves much credit for his faithful service at the time of need, which is heartily given by all who know him. .... Read The Freeman, for sale by E. H. Clark, 1319 Chestnut Street. L. L. WARREN.

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The dull red mantling his face wrung her heart. She turned impulsively and laid both hands on his shoulders. "That chance I would take, with all its uncertainty, all the dread inheritance you have come into. I love you enough for that. And if it turned out that—that you could not stem the tide even with me to face it with you, and if the pity of it, the grief of it, killed me I would take that chance if you loved me through it all. But there is something else. Hush! Let me have my say while I find the words—something else you do not understand. Turn your face a little. Please don't look at me. This is what you do not know—that in three generations every woman of my race has—gone wrong! Every one! And I am beginning with such a marriage, deliberately, selfishly, shamelessly, perfectly conscious of the frivolous, erratic blood in me, aware of the race record behind me!

"Once when I knew nothing—before I—I met you—I believed such a marriage would not only permit me mental tranquillity, but safely anchor me in the harbor of convention, leaving me free to become what I am fashioned to become—autocrat and arbiter in my own world. And now! And now! I don't know—truly I don't know what I may become. Your love forces my hand. I am displaying all the shallowness, falseness, pettiness, all the mean and cruel and callous character which must be truly my real self. Only I shall not marry you! You are not to run the risk of what I might prove to be when I remember in bitterness all I have renounced. If I married you, I should remember, unreconciled, what you cost me. Better for you and for me that I marry him and let him bear with me when I remember that he cost me you!"

Suddenly deep within him something seemed to fail, die out, perhaps a tiny newly lighted flame of unaccustomed purity, the dawning flicker of aspiration to better things. Whatever it was, material, spiritual, was gone now, and where it had glimmered for a night the old accustomed twilit doubt crept in—the same dull acquiescence, the same uncertainty of self, the familiar lack of will, of incentive, the congenial tendency to drift, and with it came weariness, perhaps reaction from the recent skirmishes with that master vice.

"I suppose," he said in a dull voice, "you are right."

"No; I am wrong—wrong!" she said, lifting her lovely face and heavy eyes. "But I have chosen my path. And you will forget."

"I hope so," he said simply.

"If you hope so, you will."

Mortimer, peeping down at them over the thicket above, yawned impatiently and glanced about him for the most convenient avenue of self effacement when the time arrived.

CHAPTER SEVEN

THE days of the house party at Shotover were numbered. A fresh relay of guests was to replace them on Monday, and so they were making the most of the waning week on lawn and marsh, in covert and blind, or motoring madly over the state or riding in parties to Vermillion Light. Tennis and lawn bowls came into fashion. Even water polo and squash alternated on days too raw for more rugged sport.

And during all these days Beverly Plank appeared with unflagging persistence and assiduity, until his familiar, big, round head and patient, delft blue, Dutch eyes became a matter of course at Shotover, indoors and out.

The accomplished establishment of Beverly Plank was probably due as much to his own obstinate and good tempered persistence as to Mrs. Mortimer. He was a Harvard graduate—there are all kinds of them—enormously wealthy, and, though he had no particular personal tastes to gratify, he was willing and able to gratify the tastes of others. He did whatever anybody else did and did it well enough to be amusing, and as lack of intellectual development never barred anybody from any section of the fashionable world, it seemed fair to infer that he would land where he wanted to sooner or later.

Meanwhile Mrs. Mortimer led him about with the confidence that was her perquisite, and the chances were that in due time he would have house parties of his own at Black Fells—not the kind he had wisely denied himself the pleasure of giving, with such neighbors as the Ferralls to observe, but the sort he desired. However, there were many things to be accomplished for him and by him before he could expect to use his great yacht and his estates and his shooting boxes and the vast granite mansion recently completed and facing Central park just north of the new palaces built on the edges of the outer desert where Fifth avenue fringes the hundreds.

Meanwhile he had become in a measure domesticated at Shotover, and Shotover people gradually came to ride, drive and motor over the Fells, which was a good beginning, though not necessarily a promise for anything definite in the future.

Mortimer, riding a huge chestnut—he could still wedge himself into a saddle—had now made it a regular practice to affect the jocular early bird squire and drag Plank out of bed.

Plank's acquaintance among people who knew Mortimer being limited, he had no means of determining the latter's social value except through hearsay and a toadying newspaper or two. Therefore he was not yet aware of Mortimer's perennial need of money, and when Mortimer laughingly alluded to his poverty Plank accepted the proposition in a purely comparative sense and laughed, too, his thrifty Dutch soul untroubled by misgivings.

Meanwhile Mortimer had come, among other things, on information; how much, and precisely of what nature, he was almost too much ashamed to admit definitely, even to himself.

There was much about Plank that was unaffected, genuine, even simple, in one sense. He cared for people for their own sakes, and only stubborn adherence to a dogged ambition had enabled him to dispense with the society of many people he might easily have cultivated and liked—people nearer his own sort, and that, perhaps, was the reason he so readily liked Mortimer, whose coarse fiber soon wore through the polish when rubbed against by a closer, finer fiber. And Plank liked him aside from gratitude, and they got on famously on the basis of such mutual recognition. Then, one day, very suddenly, Mortimer stumbled on something valuable—a thread, a mere clew, so astonishing that for an instant it absolutely upset all his unadmitted theories and calculations.

It was nothing—a vague word or two—a forced laugh—and the scared silence of this man Plank, who had blundered on the verge of a confidence to a man he liked.

A moment of amazement, or half incredulous suspicion, of certainty, and Mortimer pounced playfully upon him like a tiger—a big, fat, friendly, jocose tiger:

"Plank, is that what you're up to?"

"Up to! Why, I never thought of such a"—

"Haw, haw!" roared Mortimer. "If you could only see your face!"

And Beverly Plank, red as a beet, comfortably suffused with reassurance under the reaction from his scare, attempted to refute the other's conclusions: "It doesn't mean anything, Mortimer. She's just the handsomest girl I ever saw. I know she's engaged. I only admired her a lot."

"You're not the only man," said Mortimer blandly, still striving to reconcile his preconceived theories with the awkward half confession of this great, red fisted, hulking horseman riding at his stirrup.

"I wouldn't have her dream," stammered Plank, "that I had ever thought of such a"—

"Why not? It would only flatter her."

"Flatter a woman who is engaged to marry another man!" gasped Plank.

"Certainly. Do you think any woman ever had enough admiration in this world?" asked Mortimer coolly. "And as for Sylvia Landis, she'd be tickled to death if anybody hinted that you had ever admired her."

"Good Lord!" exclaimed Plank, alarmed. "You wouldn't make a joke of it! You wouldn't be careless about such a thing! And there's Quarrier! I'm not on joking terms with him. I'm on most formal terms."

"Quarrier!" sneered the other, flicking at his stirrup with his crop. "He's on formal terms with everybody, including himself. He never laughed on purpose in his life; once a month only, to keep his mouth in; that's his limit. Do you suppose any woman would stand for him if a better man looked sideways at her?" And, reversing his riding crop, he deliberately poked Mr. Plank in the ribs.

"A—a better man!" muttered Plank, scarce crediting his ears.

"Certainly. A man who can make good, is good, but a man who can make better is it with the ladies—God bless 'em!" he added, displaying a heavy set of teeth.

Beverly Plank knew perfectly well that in the comparison so delicately suggested by Mortimer his material equipment could be scarcely compared to the immense fortune controlled by Howard Quarrier, and as he thought it his reflections were put into words by Mortimer, airily enough.

"Nobody stands a chance in a show down with Quarrier. But"—

Plank gaped until the tension became unbearable.

"But—what?" he blurted out.

"Plank," said Mortimer solemnly, and his voice vibrated with feeling, "let me do a little thinking before I ask you a—a vital question."

But Plank had become agitated again, and he said something so bluntly that Mortimer wheeled on him, glowering:

"Look here, Plank; you don't suppose I'm capable of repeating a confidence, do you—if you choose to make me understand it's a confidence?"

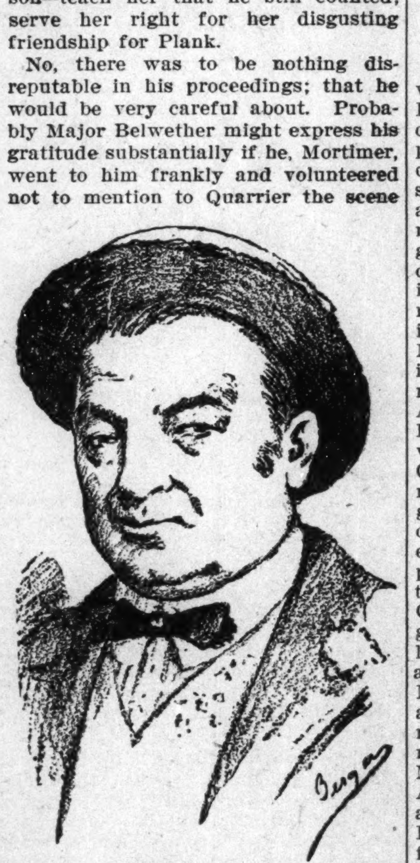
"It isn't a confidence; it isn't anything. I mean it is confidential, of course. All there's in it is what I said, or, rather, what you took me up on so fast," ended Plank, abashed.

"About your being in love with Syl"—

"Confound it!" roared Plank, crimson to his hair. And he set his heavy spurs to his mount and plunged forward in a storm of dust. Mortimer followed, silent, profoundly immersed in his own thoughts and deductions.

And all that afternoon, having taken to his room on pretense of neuralgia, he lay sprawled on his bed, thinking, thinking. Not that he meant harm to anybody, he told himself very frequently. He had, of course, information which certain degraded men might use in a contemptible way, but he (Mortimer) did not resemble such men in any particular. All he desired was to do Plank a good turn. There was nothing disreputable in doing a wealthy man a favor. And God knew a wealthy man's gratitude was necessary to him at that very moment—gratitude substantially acknowledged. He liked Plank, wished him well. That was all right, too, but a man is an ass who doesn't wish himself well also. Two birds with one stone. Three, for he hated Quarrier! Four, for he had no love for his wife! Besides, it would teach Leila a wholesome lesson—teach her that he still counted; serve her right for her disgusting friendship for Plank.

No, there was to be nothing disreputable in his proceedings; that he would be very careful about. Probably Major Belwether might express his gratitude substantially if he, Mortimer, went to him frankly and volunteered not to mention to Quarrier the scene he had witnessed between Sylvia Landis and Stephen Siward at 3 o'clock in the morning in the corridor, and if in playful corroboration he displayed the cap and rain coat and the big fan, all crushed, which objects of interest he had discovered later in the bay window. Yes, probably Major Belwether would be very grateful, because he wanted Quarrier in the family. He needed Quarrier in his business. But, faugh! That was close enough to blackmail to rub off! No, no! He wouldn't go to Belwether and promise any such thing! On the contrary, he felt it his duty to inform Quarrier! Quarrier had a right to know what sort of a girl he was threatened with for life. A man ought not to let another man go blindly into such a marriage. Men owed each other something, even if they were not particularly close friends. And he had always had a respect for Quarrier, even a sort of liking for him—yes, a distinct liking! And, anyhow, women were devils, and it behooved men to get together and stand for one another!



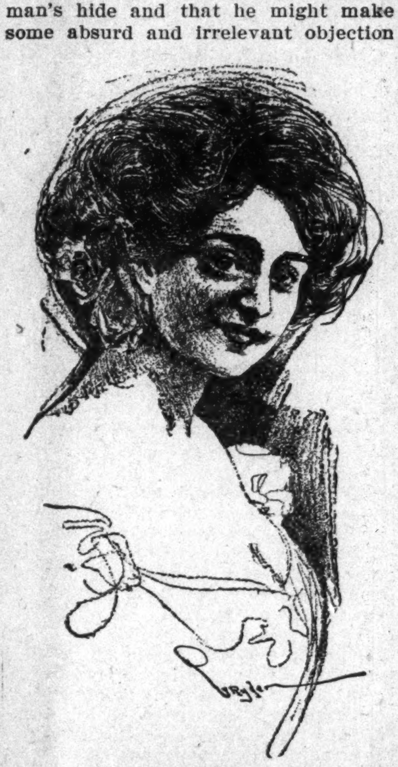
Leroy Mortimer.

Quarrier would give her her walking papers, and, in her humiliation, is there anybody mad enough to fancy that she wouldn't snap up Plank in such a fix and make it look like a jilt for Quarrier? But Plank must do his part on the minute. Plank must step up in the very nick of time. Plank, with his millions and his ambitions, was bound to be a winner anyway, and Sylvia might as well be his pilot and use his money. And Plank would be very, very grateful—very useful, a very good friend to have, and Leila would learn at last that he, Mortimer, had cut his wisdom teeth, by God!

As for Siward, he amounted to nothing. Probably was one of that contemptible sort of men who butted in and kissed a pretty girl when he had the chance. He, Mortimer, had only disgust for such amateurs of the social byways.

After all, the matter was simple—absurdly simple. A word to Quarrier, and, crack, the match was off! Girl mad as a hornet, but staggered, has no explanation to offer—man frozen stiff with rage, mute as an iceberg. Then, zip, enter Beverly Plank, the girl's rescuer at a pinch, her preserver, the savior of her "face," the big, highly colored, leaden eyed deus ex machina. Would she take 50 cents on the dollar—would she, to buy herself a new "face," and put it all over Quarrier, and live happy ever after—would she? Oh, not at all!

The main thing, after all, was to promise Plank his opportunity, but not tell him how he was to obtain it, for Mortimer had an uneasy idea that there was something of the Puritan deep planted under the stolid young man's hide and that he might make some absurd and irrelevant objection to the perfectly proper methods employed by his newly self constituted guide and mentor. No; that was no concern of Plank's. All he had to do was to be ready. As for Quarrier, anybody could forecast his action when once convinced of Sylvia's behavior.



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(Continued next week.)

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

The funeral of Mr. Henry Hayes was held Thursday in the Soldiers' Home chapel. Rev. Joseph Evans conducted the services. Arnett Chapel choir rendered the music. The deceased leaves a devoted wife and son and daughter...Mark Hammond and Mrs. Maude Dentsey and little niece of Elkhart, Ind., were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Evans Sunday...Mrs. T. P. Wright is improving...The Misses Jones and their mother returned Thursday to Lansing after a short visit with their aunt, Mrs. Martha Williams...Mrs. Hayes is reported quite sick...The hotel men's meeting was well attended at Arnett Chapel Sunday evening...The Phyllis Wheatley Club met Friday with Mrs. Benjamin...The Study Club met Thursday with Mrs. Bowman...The men of Arnett Chapel gave a reception to the ladies of the church and congregation Tuesday evening in the lecture room...The program given Tuesday evening by the young ladies of the Sunday School Club was well rendered. The program consisted of choice musical and literary selections. The proceeds amounted to over ten dollars clear...Miss Bertha Burton has taken up the agency of McGirt's and Alexander's magazine and Prof. Kelly Miller's monograph on "Roosevelt and the Negro."...Classes Nos. 1 and 4 of Arnett Chapel gave an entertainment at the parsonage Friday evening...Robert Cross left Monday afternoon for Benton Harbor, Mich., to reside there...Mrs. Henderson returned Friday from a pleasant visit with her daughter in Flint...Basil Ray was unable to render his solo at the hotel men's meeting on account of illness. ...Mr. Boles of Saginaw was a Grand Rapids visitor the past week. ...Mr. and Mrs. Perry have removed to Mrs. Moore's residence on Henry street.

The Work of Preparing for the Sunday School Congress Still Contines with Increased Activity.

Nashville, Tenn., April 8.—"The change of the meeting place of the 1908 session of the National Baptist Convention from New York to the beautiful, proud, historic and wealthy city of Lexington, Ky., was made March 26 by the executive boards in session in this city. The change will not interfere in the least with the date, the time, the place or the extensive program for the coming session of the National Baptist Sunday School Congress and Young People's Chautauqua, which is to be held in Jacksonville, Fla., at Bethel Baptist Institutional Church, beginning Wednesday morning, June 24, and continuing until Monday, June 29," said Mr. Henry Allen Boyd, secretary of the Sunday School Congress movement, in speaking to your correspondent today about the action of the executive boards. It was also learned from him that the work of preparing the list of subjects to be discussed at the Congress is being rapidly pushed and that they would be announced through the columns of the National Baptist Union, the official organ of the National Baptist Convention, at an early date. Although the program is in its embryonic state, it was learned that many prominent men have consented to speak. "Among them," states Mr. Boyd, "will be found the following: Rev. W. B. Reed, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Madison, N. J.; Mr. Hugh T. Mussellman (white), superintendent Sunday School Training Department American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rev. A. A. Cosey, Mound Bayou, Miss.; Rev. N. D. Broughton (white), superintendent Sunday School Pedagogy, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Raleigh, N. C., and Lieut.-Col. Allen Allensworth, U. S. A. (retired), of Los Angeles, Cal. These are but a few of the many prominent men who have expressed their intentions to be present.

"The musical feature will no doubt attract large audiences. Special musi chas been written: an anthem, 'Hail the Baptist Congress,' has been prepared by Prof. Thos. W. J. Tobias of New Orleans, La., and will be the opening piece for the occasion; another anthem is 'The Beatitudes.' All of these special selections will be rendered by a chorus of one hundred voices, which will eclipse the singing at any denominational meeting ever held in the United States. A great advantage this year will be that the Congress convenes at a time when all of the schools are closed for the summer, thus enabling the educators of the race to be present."

DALLAS, TEX.

Monday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Whitley, 207 Camp street, an informal reception was given in honor of Mrs. John Walker and daughter of Sherman, who were here visiting Mrs. Ida Williams, her sister. Games and refreshments enlivened the occasion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Berry Locus, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Turner, Miss Ella Saxton, Mack Lane, Robert Williams, Mrs. J. J. Griffin, Mrs. J. Johnson, Mrs. Felix Dixon. Mrs. Walker and daughter left Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Whitley, for Sherman and territory points...Several new clubs for literary purposes have recently been organized in the city. Let the young and old support them so that a general awakening may be the result of their labor...Henry Birch spent three months in various towns in Louisiana visiting relatives and friends. While in Lafayette he established an A. M. E. church of 12 members with Rev. Jackson as pastor...Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis purchased a valuable piece of residence property on State street. H. W. Scott bought on Cochran street, Calvin Bluitt on Central avenue...John Cox died last Saturday at the home of his sisters on Main street and was buried from New Hope Baptist Church... Walker's ball tossers have had some hard workouts the past week and did the whole team good. We are led to believe that Dallas will hold its own in the league this season...We have had several new business enterprises opened by our people here the past two weeks...Get The Freeman corner Bryan and Good streets at the Parisian Millinery Store. Fice cents per copy.

RALEIGH, N. C.

The first public entertainment by the officers of the Foreign Missionary Society, ably assisted by Mrs. C. F. Meserve, wife of the president, rendered recently in the University Chapel. Very interesting addresses were delivered by the following students in medicine: Messrs. C. W. Richradson of South America; Rev. P. L. J. Seme, Congo Free State, Africa, and Ed O. Gordon of Jamaica, W. I. One of the most interesting features of the program was the delivery of an experience, "How I Became a Christian," in the Zulu language, by one of the natives, and interpreted by Rev. D. B. Mdodauna, a college student belonging to the same tribe. Rev. C. C. Boone, who is pursuing a medical training at Shaw, presided. Rev. Boone represented Shaw Missionary Society at the great missionary convention recently held at Pittsburg, Pa...The Y. M. C. A., Asst. Dr. Geo. A. Winstead, president, held a public reception in the university chapel in honor of Prof. W. A. Hunter, international secretary, last Thursday evening, March 27, 1908, which was one of the most brilliant and instructive functions of the season. The subject treated by Prof. Hunter was "My Visit to Japan," illustrated by stereopticon views. The visit of the international secretary will be productive of renewed activity in Y. M. C. A. work.

FORT WORTH, TEX.

The K. of P.'s annual sermon was preached at City Hall by Rev. J. M. Anderson, D. D., pastor of Andrew Chapel, A. M. E. Church, and in spite of a continuous downpour of rain, nearly all day Sunday a large congregation assembled to hear him. The Doctor proved himself master of his subject...Chas. P. Brooks, proprietor of the Favorite Tailoring Store, is doing a rushing business and thinks The Freeman is the race's leading paper...Hon. R. C. Houston, president of the Provident Bank and Trust Company, is pushing the Business League and making preparations for the annual convention...When you want The Freeman call at Dr. Mosely's drug store, 110 East Ninth street, or ring phones New 1603, Old 2939 and the paper will be brought to you. ...Hon. S. B. Rose, editor of the Waco Guide, was in this city Sunday. ...It semes that all the churches are growing more active in a progressive way. Some are building new buildings; others are repairing those already built...Dr. Ed R. Nelson of Nashville, Tenn., arrived here Monday and will fill the position as pharmacist at Dr. Mosely's drug store.

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We shall all feel better when it is over if we just keep cool as we go along.

Those who talk the least nowadays will have the least to take back next summer.

It is up to somebody to make good the unperformed portion of the laws on separate coaches.

With five more banks for Indianapolis and vicinity, it begins to look a trifle like strenuosity.

Hon. George H. White and others left the meeting in a huff. Mr. Trotter was too strenuous to suit.

The Negro is naturally for tariff reform. Our people are consumers, not manufacturers or trust magnates.

President Roosevelt has proven a great, good man in most instances, but really—as to that third term business.

Nevertheless and notwithstanding the talk about Johnson, Gray or anybody else, it will be Bryan at Denver.

Why not settle it by running John Mitchell for President? He has managed to get himself liked by everybody.

The cooler heads got together in Chicago, declaring in mass meeting to support the nominee of the Republican National Convention.

The race is being played bang up politically. The latest manifesto is that 95 per cent of the Negro vote will go bad in event of the nomination of Mr. Taft.

It looks as if we have some members of the race who are determined to "stay mad" at Roosevelt and Taft no matter if they would hand over a free meal ticket to them for life.

The farmers are working overtime in these days. He is not concerned about how it goes. Spring and summer bids fair to be eminently in his favor. When the crop is in he will then sit up and take notice.

If a few more white toughs of the Heflin variety go to "shooting up" the Washington street cars decent colored citizens may have to ask for separate coaches in order to avoid the contamination of such undesirable company.

It appears that the greatest of harmony did not prevail in the recent political conference in the City of Brotherly Love. Bishop Walters was especially zealous in his address on the questions uppermost in the minds of Negroes.

The Philadelphia "Race Conference" seems to have been a "flash in the pan." There was a-plenty of noise for a moment, but when the smoke cleared away nobody was injured and no finite result was achieved. The railroads who got the money were the only folks who reaped any benefit from the incident.

John Tom Heflin, the Alabama bully, who is being sued for $20,000 damages for shooting a Negro in Washington, will find it cheaper hereafter to exercise his gunplay down in Macon County, Alabama, where such bits of pleasantry are better appreciated than at the capital of the nation.

Vice-President Fairbanks will continue to be a big man in this country no matter whether he wins the Presidency or not. He is making no enemies. He is holding to all of his old friends and constantly making new ones. He will be a power at the White House, either as an occupant, Cabinet member or as a distinguished visitor.

Heflin is being severely castigated by his colleagues in the House of Representatives for the shooting of the Negro Lundy—the Northern members opposing him because of the brutality and downright meanness of the occurrence, while the Southerners give him the mischief for being such a bad marksman. A genuine Southern "hill-billy" would never have missed a black man and hit a white one.

The political days have come, the fiercest known in years. The Negro is in evidence, and perhaps too much so for the good of his civil health. The voice of conservation is seldom heard in the land. We raise it now. Do not overstep the mark—propriety, respectful opposition—thereby endangering the chances of all, and in the meanwhile inviting political and civil ruin.

The weather has not broken its gait up until this time. The promise is good for Easter, when clothes become the ruling passion. Easter Sundays have been none too agreeable within the last few years, proving discouraging to those who would make their advent with spring. But if old Sol maintains the status quo there will be some stunts seen tomorrow that will be worthy of a day's journey.

Separate coaches will lose much of the uglier meaning when they conform to the laws. The States, when making the provisions, were careful to insert equality of accommodations. They were great in the promise, but have not been so in the performance. The conductors and other train managers have seen to it that there were no mixing, but the promise of equality of accommodations has been lost sight of.

If we are wise we will try not sacrifice our existence even to accomplish the "glorious" end of defeating Mr. Taft. When it comes to purely race questions there's not very wide margin for choosing. The New York Times wisely says "Twould be jumping out of the frying pan into the fire when choosing to vote for Mr. Bryan." The Northern Democratis a fair article—can't be known from a Republican, as a rule; he stands for quite the same. The Southern article may be excellent per se, but he stands for so much civil ill—ruction, ruin, degredation, decimation—to the very exhaustion of the total catalogue of "adversities."

A committee of colored men with an "omnibus bill" was turned down by the New York State Republican Convention. The object was to have the Committee on Resolutions consider the greater civil wrongs endured by the race, notably in the South, with the view of incorporating the same as expressions of the convention. Among other things they asked for legislation permitting the re-enlistment of innocent discharged members of the battalion of the Twenty-fifth Infantry. More than likely the committee did not think the grievances germane to the occasion.

On April 16 the colored school children of Washington, D. C., made voluntary contributions to the fund for the redemption of the Frederick Douglass homestead, which is to be a memorial museum for the preservation of records and the display of tangible evidences of racial progress. The example set by the Washingtonians could be emulated to advantage in every city in the land. The children's pennies involve small individual secrifices, but when gathered together make a goodly sum. Our churches should set apart a Sunday in the future when collections can be taken in all parts of the country. With systematic effort the necessary $4,000 can be raised in a jiffy.

The Washington Bee laughs at the idea of woman as chairman of a political publicity bureau and reads Mr. T. J. Calloway and Mrs. A. M. Curtis a sharp curtain lecture on the evil of worrying Mr. Hitchcock half to death over a matter that will not reach a head before the sitting of the national convention. Passing over the ambitions of Mr. Calloway and Mrs. Curtis on the publicity problem, it appears to us that it would be a good idea for Negroes to cease to haunt political headquarters so assiduously as to become a nuisance. If a man is worth anything to a manager he will be sent for when needed. It isn't the fellow who hangs around the party's committee rooms that is doing the real work. The man who "does things" hasn't time to hang around anywhere. He is always "on the job."

Dr. J. M. Conner, the "favorite son" of the trans-Mississippi region, and popular the country over for the A. M. E. Bishopric, is a splendid business man and practical educator, as wel as a masterful preacher of the Word. He is president of the Arkansas State Business Men's League and is a trustee of both Wilberforce University and Shorter College. His wonderful strength and resourcefulness as a financier, building and paying for any number of churches for the connection, made it peculiarly fitting that he should have a place on the Financial Board of the general church. His scholarship has secured for him the degrees of Doctor of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy. That he will be promoted to the bishopric at Norfolk in May is a foregone conclusion, if the predictions of his friends hit anywhere near the mark.

Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, expresses himself as willing enough to contest the distinction of the Democratic nomination with Mr. Bryan, but it appears that the Bryanites are set, and that means practically the Democratic party. Mr. Johnson is one of the rare Northern Democratic Governors, and which is quite a distinction. And had not the peerless maintained his own so well, more than likely the gentleman of the Northern tier would be making a noise like a Democratic possibility.

His name promises to be heard in the convention with those of other personages of whom the public gets a glint once in a while. Now that President Roosevelt has concluded to decide that Mr. Bryan is one of the very few great men of the country, "there's nothing to it." It looks that the nomination is his, hands down.

The Philadelphia movement is not without significance; it is in line with the recent conferences and conventions whose object has been to forestall the Roosevelt influence in the White House for the next four years. As usual, Mr. Taft is the object of attack, since he is supposed to be the Roosevelt legatee, consequently imbued with his ideas, and most especially is he supposed to be of the Roosevelt taint when it comes to that most deplorable Brownsville happening. It is extremely unfortunate for the Negroes that they have gone so far in the matter. The rank and file are practically the same, however; it is the saving situation. But there is hue and cry sufficient to alarm the Republican party. The leading Negroes are against the administration interest; it is fact enough for political purposes. Reason is thrown to the wind. After it is all over perhaps there will be some "Let us reason together." At this time there is not much spirit for peace. A set of "long, cool heads" is in demand.

President Roosevelt has made a hit with the colored people on his vigorous handling of the question of equal accommodations for the races for the same pay on the railway lines that carry the "jim crow" coaches. We see no good reason why there should be any separation at all, but if separation there must be, the comforts should be evenly distributed. The President has placed a powerful entering wedge into the entire problem of transportation ethics, for when the railroads find themselves losing money because of a silly race prejudice they will raise a howl that will be heard from ocean to ocean, and somebody whose pain of pocketbook is keener than his horror of racial contact will sit up and take notice. We believe it is only a question of time when the Supreme Court will decide that a State law that interferes with the privileges of an interstate passenger is null and void, and the whole fabric of "jim crow" cars will fall to the ground, at least as far as travel across State lines is concerned. The President deserves the thanks of the nation for having the courage and sense of justice to take this long step toward a final adjudication of so important a phase of our civil rights.

WHERE THE FREEMAN STANDS.

The Freeman is recognized as a national organ of the race and for the race, and as such its views and opinions, as editorially expressed, are not controlled nor prompted by local or State conditions. The Freeman can always be depended upon to give expression to such views as it believes to be for the best interest of the race, without regard to city, county or State boundaries. In discussing the progress and the news relating to the Republican presidential contest The Freeman will give the news, unmindful of its advantageous or disadvantageous effect on any of the aspirants for that honor. We yield to no one in our admiration for our fellow-townsman and State leader, the Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks, but we do not feel called upon to color our news in his interest, and neither do we feel called upon to color our news so as to appear against any of the other candidates. This because The Freeman is a national Negro newspaper.

Up to this time three-fourths of the delegates selected to the Republican national convention are instructed for Secretary Taft. This is acknowledged by each and every one of his opponents. This is not political "dope," but fact. The consensus of opinion, as expressed by partisan and independent newspapers and by members of Congress and public men, as well as by private citizens, is that it appears at this time that the big Secretary of War will be nominated. The Freeman violates no sense of feeling to Mr. Fairbanks to print such nws. We would be false to him and to the race if we denied the news. The Freeman stands, as it always has stood, for the Republican nominee, whoever he may be, and we will just as cordially support Secretary Taft, if nominated, as we would Vice-President Fairbanks, and just because we recognize both as loyal Republicans and men in whose hands the interests of our race will be safe. Up to this writing the Taft people are claiming his nomination with confidence. And the results of the various conventions held to nominate delegates up to this date substantiate their claim. The Freeman will print the news, all the news, and nothing but the news. And The Freeman will express its deliberately formed opinion fearlessly. "Nef sed."

Metropolitan Bank Still Lives.

SAVANNAH, Ga.— Special.— The Metropolitan Bank bids fair for another span of usefulness. The hearts of many will be made glad to find that the Metropolitan was not dead but slept...Rev. Molett, the young wonder of Brownville, preached for the Second Baptist Church during the revival. Young Molett is several times larger than his position...J. H. Freeman, the all-round business man in Yamacraw, can conduct more successful ventures at once than any man I have met. He is a successful barber, grocer and undertaker, and what else I do not know, but he is not a failure at anything...Massey, the Broad street barber, is the young man's friend, and his place is always crowded with the best people...We are waiting to hear the wedding bells. I am not at liberty to tell what I have heard, but the ringing will bring joy to the heart and home of one of the Broad street doctors. ...It is not claimed for Savannah that it is any nearer heaven than any other city in Georgia, but the Savannah route seems popular—five or six funerals are daily occurrences. Judging from the make of some caskets and the number of rigs in line, it seems that many of the dead accomplished far more in death than in life...Savannah has the lid down good and tight on the Jim Crow car question. You ride on the crow's roost, walk or fly and be dinged to you. I ride. I have decided where I can not make conditions, to accept the best offered and improve it... Dr. Lindsey, the silver-tongued divine of Charles street, is pledged to build a $35,000 church in the city. He is one of the greatest preachers in Georgia or anywhere else. He does not claim tostand for office at Norfolk, but if any confusion follows the shaking of the plum tree he may bear off something big... Dr. T. N. M. Smith is still the strong man of Georgia, and as we approach more closely to the Norfolk meeting the safe, sound and safe voters are coming under his banner...Seabrooks, the West Broad street undertaker, is an example of what politeness can do in business. He is successful beyond question...1908 must see 2000 Savannahians reading The Freeman.

WANDERER.

FT. WORTH, TEX.

The Freeman is on sale every day in the week at Dr. Mosely's drug store, 110 East Ninth street...The constant rain for the last seven days is overflowing everything, retarding work of various kinds...Several citizens headed by W. C. Hunter are building a $2000 park in Quality Grove, north of Ft. Worth...A new barber shop was opened last week by A. Brown on Eleventh street, Yellow Row...When you read The Freeman you are reading the leading paper of the race...Chas. P. Brooks, M. Davis and M. D. Duncan, leading tailors of the city, read this paper.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

The Grand Lecturer of the Knights of Pythias was with the St. Joe Lodge Tuesday evening and was gladly received. The membership of the lodge is sixty-four, and they contemplate having a Uniform Rank.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

The Rev. Clay died at his home on East Spruce street after a few days' illness. He was born in Henderson, Ky., in 1835, and has been in Terre Haute about sixteen years, during which time he was the founder of the two Baptist churches in the city. He is well known all over the city and his death brought sorrow all over town. He leaves a wife...The Free Baptist sewing circle met at Mrs. Anne Moore's, 721 Gilbert avenue, Thursday...Easter services will be held at all the churches...Tribe of Benjamin Club met at Miss Mary Hill's Thursday, on 13½ Anderuft avenue...Spruce Street A. M. E. sewing circle was entertained by Mrs. William Davis at her residence on Fifth avenue...Mr. and Mrs. James Shelton of Indianapolis, are visiting Mrs. Frances Tapp of this city, 814 South Gilbert avenue...The Treble E. Club meets at Mrs. Benj. Davis' home...The Bible Club meets at Mrs. Ed Morgan's home on Tippecanoe street.

Y. M. C. A. ANNUAL MEETING

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mony was sweet and impressive and the costume of the bride was marked by its beauty and fashion. Miss Steward is the daughter of William H. Steward, editor of the American Baptist, and she is one of the most popular girls not only of Louisville, but in the entire country. She is a graduate of the Central High School and the Normal class and has been a teacher in the public schools for several years. Mr. James H. Black is one of the best known young men in the city and is a clerk in the Postoffice. He is also treasurer of the Young Men's Progressive League and stands high in the Masons and Odd Fellows. They received a large number of presents, and will reside on West Chestnut street, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth. Among the out-of-town guests were Misses Bessie Jones, Danville; Amada Webb, Georgetown, and Miss Nettie Selkirk, Cincinnati, O.

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Through the efforts of lawyer W. L. Ricks, a petition was sent to the Library Committee of the Louisville Library signed by one hundred citizens asking for a branch in the Eastern part of the city. Mr. Ricks urged the establishment of the branch and gave the following reasons: Four of the twelve colored schools are in the eastern part of the city, with an enrollment of 2,500. One hundred and seventy-five of the 400 students of the High School live in the East End, as well as 50 of the 102 teachers. Twenty-five of the colored churches are east of Fourth avenue, and have a membership of 5,000. The three library stations in the schools of the East End had the following circulation for the past six months: October, 1,905; November, 1,100; December, 900; January, 1,000; February, 1,100; March, 1,488. These stations are open but four days in each month, and for a part of the day.

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With a view of continuing their studies and taking up the work where they left off at the close of the public night schools, several elderly women met last week at the Douglas Building and opened a night school. The students came with their own books and lamps and a large blackboard with plenty of crayon. The teacher is Mrs. Henrietta Helms, who has had twelve years experience in the schools of this city. It was astonishing and thrilling to see how these elderly people entered into the spirit of trying to go further with their studies. The night schools closed three weeks ago, and many were left in the middle of their books. They determined to have a school of their own. They are now having a good attendance and much work is expected to be accomplished by the summer.

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An exhibition of the drawing pupils of the Central High School began last week at the Y. M. C. A. at 914 West Chestnut street. The drawings and paintings were hung under the direction of Miss L. Hilerick, supervisor of drawing of the public schools. In the large front room of the building on the four walls are hung large size drawings of every description. On the center table of the room are the drawings by pupils of the primary and intermediate departments. The exhibition will last two weeks and a general invitation is extended to the public to witness the artistic work done by the pupils of the public schools. The work of Miss Lucile Annis stands out most prominently as a real artistic painting.

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The Parkland District School under the direction of Mrs. Bessie Jones held public exercises last Friday at the school, Thirty-sixth and Orleans streets, and a large crowd of patrons were present. The pupils were entertained by boys from the Eighth and Kentucky Streets School, under the direction of Prof. Joseph Cotter, the poet. Two of the boys have been given some special training in the art of story telling, and they told some very fine stories on this occasion. The pupils of the Parkland School took part on a well-arranged program and the exercises on a whole were very commendable.

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For the first time in three years the members of the Central High School alumni held a meeting last Friday, corner Ninth and Magazine streets, and it was finally decided to accept the report of the executive committee, which is to have a speaker at the June commencement of the school. Three years ago the faculty of the school decided not to have a speaker, but since that time the graduates have felt that the custom should be kept up, and they elected Charles B. Preston as their speaker.

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Editor Phil H. Brown of the "Morning News," Hopkinsville, Ky., one of the best and most widely known newspaper men in the country, spent a few days in the city last week, the guest of Carey B. Lewis. Mr. Brown is an energetic and enthusiastic shouter for Secretary William H. Taft for the presidential nomination, and predicts that Christian County will instruct its delegates for the big Secretary.

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The young men of Newton street have organized a "Jagger Club" with the following officers: Sam Tribbles, president; Joe Cotter, vice president; Bora Collier, secretary, and Louis Thomas, doorkeeper. The "Syndicate and Jagger Clubs" will have The Freeman every week for its members. George Slaughter will be the distributing agent for The Freeman.

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The Pansey Embroidery Club met last Wednesday at the residence of Mrs. Sallie Taylor, 722 West Walnut street, with all members present. A supper was served and covers were laid for eighteen. The officers are Miss Jennie Bell, president; Miss Mary Stewart, secretary; Miss Mary E. Woods, treasurer.

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The Champaign Club will entertain at the New Frontenac Club on Walnut street between Eighth and Ninth, Easter Monday night, April 20. The members of the club have made special arrangements to have a jolly time on this occasion.

E. J. Carlisle entertained at dinner last Sunday a few of his friends, among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Willis, Messrs. Lewis McMillen and Harry Simms.

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Mrs. Ruth Mason has gone to Frankfort for a few days to visit friends.

CAREY B. LEWIS.

ROOSEVELT SCORES AGAIN

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tain to receive from the uninstructed delegations of Massachusetts, Delaware and Rhode Island. Of the 234 delegates in question 194 are his without a contest. Minnesota, with her 22 delegates, is assured to the Taft column, and Virginia, South Dakota and a goodly slice of New York are sewed up in the capacious sack of the "genial War Secretary." With the number already secured and a rich field to yet yield its harvest, the nomination of Taft on the first ballot is practically certain.

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Despite the occasional discordant notes sounded here and there by the colored brethren given to "seeing things" that do not exist the conservative element of the Negro race is disposed to judge the administration fairly and grant it a full measure of credit for the good things it is doing. "For President, the nominee of the Republican national convention," is the slogan that is rallying 99 per cent of the Negro voters of the country.

POLITICAL NEWS
G. T. HAYWOOD

Joe Hogue for sheriff stands without opposition.

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It is fairly conceded that such men as Captain English and Alfred F. Potts will be useful in the Senate.

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Louis Bauer is making a stiff fight for the county commissionership from the Second District. John R. Allen has announced himself for the same office.

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The nomination for Coroner is wanted by five Democrats, each of whom feels he is just the it. They are: Dr. J. C. Alexander, Dr. Ralph S. Chappell, Dr. J. D. Cain, Dr. Wilmer Christian and John J. Blackwell.

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The Republicans are especially concerned in securing a good, strong ticket. There are many candidates before the party who will answer the purpose. Party success demands that the best possible selection be made.

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Alfred Hovey, for prosecutor, is one of the leading attorneys of Marion County and a highly respected citizen. If the Republicans expect the "none-too-good" kind of a ticket, they will have to reckon with this class of men.

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The Democrats are long on candidates for Township Trustee. Among those best known are S. N. Gold, who formerly held the office, and L. N. Harlan, a well-known insurance man. Mr. Harlan was formerly a school teacher.

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Gurley Brewer, editor of the "World," is back from "down East," where he was engaged in helping promote the Philadelphia movement. Indianapolis has been selected as the place for the next meeting; date, June 2d.

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Candidates continue to enter the race for either house of the Legislature. Meredith Nicholson, the well-known author, is one of the latest. He has been mentioned for the Senate. Nicholson would not need much advertisement, since he is very well known to the community through his popular literary productions.

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The chairmen of the respective parties finally got together and fixed the date of the primary for May 15. Since the announcement an extra rustle has already been noted among the candidates, and which promises to continue until the important event is pulled off.

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Considerable activity is noted among legislative aspirants among the Democrats. A bright-looking crop of young lawyers have announced, and evidently feel that they are a long-felt want. Among those mentioned are Emmett C. Ryan, James M. Lail and Homer W. Kellam. Joseph H. Pierson, a Decatur Township farmer, also seeks a nomination.

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H. E. Negley has uttered a "special" platform in his race for the Senate. Some of its planks are quite unique. He insists that he is waging a moneyless fight, and that if he has to buy the position that he does not care for it. Mr. Negley may reach the goal by his route. Stranger things have happened.

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The Commercial Club Monthly, the publication devoted entirely to the interests of the Indianapolis Commercial Club, has a good word to say about Alfred F. Potts, former president of the club, and now a Republican candidate for the nomination for State Senator. It says:

"The many friends of Alfred F. Potts are pleased to note that he has become a candidate for the State Senate. It is safe to presume that his long and faithful service in the Commercial Club will insure him the hearty cooperation of his fellow members irrespective of party, and it is equally certain that if elected Mr. Potts may be relied upon to perform his duties in the careful, conscientious and thorough manner which characterizes the man."—Indianapolis News.

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THE STAGE
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Sam P. Gardner, stage manager at the Royal Theatre, Knoxville, Tenn., was married March 30.

Ruby Taylor and Mamie Watts are doing good work with the Black Patti Troubadours this season.

The Treble Clef and Mesurgia Clubs of Louisville will put on two fine operas during the middle of May.

Harry A. Brown and Hodges have signed a two-year contract with Edward S. Keller, a Keith vaudeville agent.

P. A. Gray is directing a band at Lockland, O., which plays all the latest music. The organization is known as "Gray's Cornet Band."

Mrs. Nellie Ewing, 756 W. North street, Indianapolis, Ind., is dangerously ill and desires to hear from her brother, James White, a performer.

Anatole Victor, the musician, has returned to the city from New York. Mr. Victor will be a member of P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise the coming season.

William L. De Acklen, the bass singer with Slayton's Jubilee Singers, will locate at Nashville next fall and practice his profession of optician. Regards to friends.

Lykens and Levy have placed Williams and Walker for a vaudeville engagement during the weeks of June 1, 8 and 15, on the Percy G. Williams metropolitan time.

Chinee (Frank) Walker, the clever character comedian, is at the Orpheum Theatre, Watertown, S. Dak., this week. Orpheum Theatre, Aberdeen, S. Dak., wee kof April 20.

The Young Men's Progressive Club of Louisville, Ky., will give their first minstrel May 1 at Macauley's Theatre. The club is now rehearsing and they expect to give a first-class show.

Why does Irene Gaines of the Black Patti Troubadours look so sad when the mail fails to arrive from the Smart Set Company and sings "Some Day When Dreams Come True"?

Prof. G. E. Carter of Louisville, Ky., challenges any bass soloist in the States of Indiana and Ohio, in a singing contest for a prize of twenty-five or fifty dollars. Address 1111 Magazine street.

Madame Cecil Watts, the prominent Kansas soprano soloist, and her sister, Madame Fannie Moten, teacher of elocution at Western University, Quindaro, Kas., presented a program at Kansas City, Mo., April 7 to a large and appreciative audience.

Theatre-goers, especially the female majority, are wondering what Cole and Johnson's new vehicle will be for next season, and if Theodore Pankey will sign with them. And then will he have the ideal part; they hope so anyway. The stars may receive a petition to that effect.

Ernest Kincaid, the trombonist, who lately closed with the W. A. Mahara Minstrels, died at the home of his parents at Indianapolis of broncho-pneumonia, last Saturday morning. The funeral took place at the Metropolitan Baptist Church Monday afternoon. He leaves a widow and other relatives.

The Wonderland Theatre at Knoxville, Tenn., is still sending them away well pleased. Good houses and business each night. Prof. and Miss Calhoun are still looking after the musical numbers, assisted by George Henderson, singing illustrated songs. Manager J. J. Jeter is well pleased with the company.

P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise will open May 2 and is said to have the largest company seen with a side show, and will be seen with the Hagenbeck and Wallace Shows Combined. The performers who will leave Indianapolis to join the big one are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Garland, Anatole Victor and the Beechums.

Slayton's Jubilee Singers of Chicago, Ill., were in Indianapolis a few days last week. The members of the company are: Miss E. P. Helms, primadonna; Mrs. Cicle Wilson, contralto; Mrs. Mammie Clemmens, soprano; Mr. Frank Clemmens, baritone; Mr. Charles Fleming, tenor; Mr. O. W. Sanders, manager; Mr. Edward Goodbar, tenor; Mr. Wm. L. De Acklen, basso; O. W. Sanders, pianist and manager.

Jas. A. Morrow, side show manager and orator, formerly with Scribner and Smith, F. A. Robbins, Buckskin Bill, Sells and Gray, Sig Santelle and for the past two seasons with the Great Sells-Floto Shows, left the City of Mexico March 12 enroute to New York City to join the Barnum and Bailey shows. Mr. Morrow has created the good will and respect of the colored profession in general and they will be glad to know that he has been placed to his entire satisfaction for the season 1908. Any mail addressed to him care of The Freeman will be promptly forwarded.

W. L. Jackson has been off the stage for three years and is conducting a studio in Louisville. During this time he has four or five hours daily to practice on the violin, playing fifteen sets of scales through the circles of keys, seventy-five technical bowins and Paganini's twenty-four caprices each day. He is now preparing to give his regular season program at Summers Ninaweb Park. Sends best regards to Lawrence Freeman, P. G. Lowery and Owsley Brothers.

DOWNIE'S UNCLE TOM'S CABIN COMPANY.

We are beating it to the coast for the summer season and things are fine and dandy. Gus ("Possum") Goins is still holding his own in front of the band. Miss Emma Russell, our "Topsy," is getting her's singing "By and Bye." Our Sextette is Alex and Mabel Toliver, Gus and Bell Goins and Ed and Nettie Howard, singing "I Was Never Kissed Like That Before," "Won't You Take a Walk With Me," and "Under My Parasol." Say, they are making good and bring the house down nightly. The ghost is at the state room door every Sunday and the bell rings in the dining room three times every day.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.

Traveling in a palace on wheels, "Black Patti" and her company arrived in Louisville, Ky., last Sunday and opened a week's engagement at the Avenue Theatre. Sustaining the reputation as being the race's greatest "Nightingale," she opened with a large and appreciative audience made up mostly of white people. The voice of this grand woman seemed never so sweet as when she sang "Suwanee River," a song that is dear to the hearts of the Kentucky people. When she sang "My Old Kentucky Home" with her characteristic sweetness and melody and that dignified pose and perfect expression and precision, the house went wild with applause. The funny man is Tutt Whitney. Tutt is real funny and he gives the boys in the gallery a run for their money. He takes off many stunts of Bert Williams and Dudley. He has considerable ability as an actor. The chorus was the smallest we have seen in this city for many years, but it made some very good music. The vaudeville bill that was exceptionally creditable and worth coming a long distance to see, is that of "Queen Dora." By the kind permission we were invited on the stage to see her work by Mr. Cox, the stage manager, and we were greatly pleased to see the butterfly dance, which, in our judgment, outclassed that of the late Papinta's "fire dance." J. A. English, who did the hoop turn, was given rounds of applause, as was several other specialties. On a whole they have a rollicking, popular show and the advance sale of tickets indicated that the house would be crowded throughout the week. Mme. "Patti" was seen by The Freeman correspondent and gave him a cordial welcome at her performances. Last Sunday night was the first time that a colored performer received a bouquet at the theatre in this city. It was given to Madam "Patti" after singing "My Old Kentucky Home."—C. B. L.

THE FLORIDA BLOSSOMS.

The Florida Blossoms Company is a real Negro enterprise, consisting of minstrel and drama, under the management of Douglas and Worthy, this season, which opened March 30 at Macon, Ga. We are now on our summer tour for 35 weeks and the show has been playing to good business since the 30th, and the prospects look favorable for a good season.

Paul Carter, our stage manager and principal comedian, late of Richard and Pringle's Minstrels, has no doubt one of the best staged shows of its kind, and the owners are well pleased with it. The costumes and scene are great. Look who is with us: Hi Jerry Barnes, Chink Floyd, B. B. Joyner, Claud McPherson, Lawrence Fisher, comedians; Miss Cora Fisher, Miss Susie Anderson, Raymond Walberg, Maud Barnes, Edith Banks, Charlie McKensie, contortionist. The band and orchestra are under the direction of Jno. W. Anderson. The band consists of fourteen good musicians.

Paul Carter sends regards to P. G. Lowery and Richard and Pringle's bunch, also Pewee Williams. Anderson sends regards to friend musicians. Tobias sends regards to the Lowery company. Regards to all.

CLARKE'S THEATRE, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

We opened on April 2, 3 and 4 with "The Wizard of Kindoo," a musical comedy written by M. D. Lucas, a colored author. It was a great success and the theatre was crowded with the best citizens of Columbus. The acting and choruses were up to the standard of professional, and the principal members of the cast filled their parts without a flaw. Great praise must be given Mr. Lucas for his work, and also to every one who took part. Comedy work was by Mr. Lucas, the Wizard. John Summers as "Ephraim McClure," was a big hit. Lloyd Mitchell as "Burton," the tramp, was very fine and funny. The leading lady, Miss Cordela Hall, with her excellent soprano voice, was the best heard in Columbus for many days. Her stage appearance was fine and her costumes were beautiful. She was received with great ovations and also received a number of bouquets from admirers. Miss Ursal Barnett as the soubrette was fine. Her songs "Lola" and "Honey" were the hit of the show, and her acting was superb.

Our favorite tenors, Leroy Godman as "Curtis Waska," and John Bowles as "Rogers Montreasor" were excellent and their singing was rewarded by two to three encores. Miss Alberta Ranson as "Lina," the mother, and Dr. Bernard Cox as "Simon," the father, was worth going miles to see. Tedd Harper as the heavy man was first class. Miss Grace Lucas as Mildred Clayton, daughter of Clayton, who was disappointed in love, was very good. Miss Grace Weaver, who led the choruses, was just the card in her beautiful costumes, and we think her future should be spent with some first-class company. She has the talent for the stage.

Every movement of the chorus was correct and their singing will be hard to beat. They worked like clock works all together and the finale was closed with the stars and stripes waving in the hands of 42 people, with Andy Wolridge singing "When America Rules the World."

RICHARD AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS.

We have just left old Kentucky, where Night Riders are the prevailing fad, and mighty glad we are that we can say farewell to the South for a while. Our business is great and every one is happy with the merry, merry boys. We will stay out all summer making out fourth season without closing. We are now in the Hoosier State and every son of the State is certainly feeling fine. And we have several: Fred W. Simpson, Sidney Kirkpatrick and Alonzo Bosan.

Clarence Powell, our star, has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, but is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Fred W. Simpson is paying her husband a visit while in the State.

Mrs. Pete Woods just left after spending a week with her husband.

Sidney Kirkpatrick's new song, "Beneath a Smiling Face Lies Many a Broken Heart," is a big hit.

All of the boys wish to be remembered to S. H. Dudley and Dude Kelly, Pete Stanley, Frank Castry and all of the old ex-"Georgia's." Don't forget us, boys; drop a line once in a while.

Marse Craig, world's greatest contortionist, is still with us, and, if such is possible, more of a puzzle than ever.

Jno. W. Cooper (Neal Dope) with his new barbar shop act is a decided hit, as it is a brand new departure in ventriliquism.

PEKIN NOTES.

Miss Lottie Grady is taking a much needed rest this week. Miss Grady has not missed a performance or a rehearsal since she has been connected with the Pekin — four years — which is an enviable record.

Harrison Stewart, who for the past two years has been leading comedian at the Pekin, has resigned to go into vaudeville.

Mr. Green has been exceedingly busy for the past two weeks rehearsing the stock company in a new burletta entitled "Follies of 1908" with "The Rehearsal" as a curtain raiser. As "The Follies" is by the author of "The Merry Widower" it is predicted that it will have as good a run as did "The Merry Widower."

Marion A. Brooks, who has been connected with the Pekin for the past four or five months, has gone to Montgomery, Ala., to open a theatre fashioned after the Pekin. He has the best wishes of all the Pekinites.

Robt. T. Motts is entertaining his brother, Fred Motts, of Washington, Iowa.

Roy Morales of Mexico City has joined with the Pekin forces in an official capacity.

Miss Olivia Lang, one of the "Pekin Ponies," is quite ill and unable to fill her accustomed place.

ALBERTA CHRISTY.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL.

Jack Moxley is to manage the cafe and restaurant at Sportsman's Park this season. We wish him success. . . .Adam H. Howell, assistant supervisor, is superintending the work of the hauling gang on Third street this week. . .The churches have arranged a program for Easter Sunday. . .The Golden Gate Lodge No. 23, K. of P., will give a grand Easter entertainment at Fraternal Hall, 230 North Seventh street, Monday evening, April 20, 1908. Music by Turner's K. of P. Band of St. Louis, Mo. Admission 25 cents. . .Sportsman's Park opens Sunday the 19th, the attraction being a ball game, St. Louis Giants vs. Imperials.

OLEAN, N. Y.

Rev. S. F. Boston of Catskill, N. Y., has been appointed to assist Rev. W. F. Coffey in his work at Friendship. . .Rev. W. E. C. Gumbs of Buffalo held the last quarterly conference for this conference year at the A. M. E. Church Monday evening. He is a very intelligent and eloquent speaker. . .Menzo Marshall of Portville was here Sunday. . .Miss Ethel Marshall has returned from Wellsville. . .Mrs. Jerome Haithcock is visiting in Oil City. . .Little Laura Coffey is ill. . .Mrs. Ida Davis of Bradford is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Tonking. . .Mr. and Mrs. Lester Clemons are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. M. Richardson, in Hornell. . .Mrs. O. Randall spent Sunday in Portville.

LOCKLAND, O.

The Zion Baptist faculty gave a musical concert on the night of the 9th. It was very fine. Miss Anabelle Gray was the prime factor. . .The Methodists gave a sack supper April 9. . .The Odd Fellows had a good time here on Sunday. . .The Elmwood Baptist Church baptized four candidates on Sunday. Rev. Francis, pastor.

ROUTE.

SMART SET COMPANY—Providence, R. I., week of April 20.

COLE AND JOHNSON—Baltimore, Md., week of April 19.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS — Fort Wayne, Ind., April 19; Huntington, 20; Wabash, 21; Peru, 22; Logansport, 23; South Bend, 24; Laporte, 25.

RICHARDS AND PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS—Peoria, Ill., April 19; Canton, 20; Monmouth, Ill., 21; Burlington, Ia., 22; Davenport, 23; Muscatine, 24; Moline, 25.

SHELTON AND FIDDLE — Week of April 20, Bijou Theatre, Saginaw, Mich.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS — Grafton, W. Va., April 20; Clarksburg, 21; Fairmount, 22; Mannington, 23; Morgan, 24; Connellsville, Pa.

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Johnson, Roy.
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Somehow we are impressed with the notion that Lincoln's life and services are coming in for greater recognition with the advancing years. This year the observation of his birthday was not uotable. Great and small publications, the pulpit, the rostrum, seemed to vie with one another in doing honor to his memory, giving unknown phases of his life, as well as those that are a part of the nation's history—a purpose running through it all. All time affords no example of another individual whose total life was so filled with worthy motives—from the "cradle" to the grace. We are not alarmists, yet when we see the exemplar, or the sign of the utter best held high up to which men are invited to "look and live," who will doubt that there is some necessity? The eagles of France inspired the flagging hopes of Napoleon's army, the Christian takes hope at the sight of the Cross because either stand for nobleness—unimpeachable integrity—where doubt is not dreamed of. We quote:

"Abraham Lincoln has by common consent been selected as the high priest of American patriotism, honored for his fidelity to liberty, justice, and the rights of men; and he of all men is held to represent the national ideal of obedience to the law of eternal justice and reverence for Almighty God. The idea which in the popular imagination he stands for are not warlike, but peaceful—meekness, patience, forgiveness, long suffering, the that endureth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things. If in our time the people were asked to select the one man who would best illustrate the principles of Paul's great chapter on charity, it would be the man who with malice toward none entered upon and carried through to the end the awful tasks which duty laid upon him."

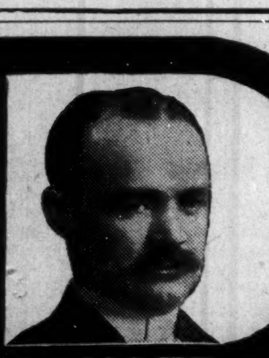
So those that would promote civil life find blended in the one individual all of those qualities, are in hoc signo vinces—by this sign we shall conquer. We take it that discerning minds feel the need of a little more of the Abraham Lincoln spirit among us, more of his qualities, the things that he stood for, because of the civil restlessness.

Juliet, of "Romeo and Juliet" fame, was considered very fine. We, however, can hardly conceive from what standpoint, unless it be that of a lover determined to have her love—not counting the cost. Be that as it may; she was considered fine, so fine that some one has said that when she died, that she should have been ground to powder and sprinkled over the rest of humanity, that it might be like her. May we not say something similar of Abraham Lincoln? Is not that what is being said, when he is held up before men? None of us will feel too great to pattern after his ways, as none are too great to be humble in the presence of Shakespeare or Beethoven, or other world masters whose secrets are swallowed up by the grave, and to whose memories men turn, yet, as to the sum for light, for guidance. And as there has been but one of a kind, of those creators, it was reserved to us, and most fittingly, to have the great apostle of human rights—the liberty of man—in faithful agreement to the laws and spirit of the nation in its origin and formation—in accord with its latter-day destiny, and the higher laws than ever writ in older worlds—the untramelled coming and going of a total people. It is what Lincoln stood for; it is what many stand for to-day, and who will not hear the ways and means that mean anything different.

We sometimes love to speak of those annoited, more often in the sense of ridicule, yet if we speak thus of the great Emancipator, we will not very much overshoot the mark, if at all. More than any other man, beyond the Biblical age, he appears of that age, coming to his own, we may well say, with fear and trembling, born of the sense of love and duty—patriarchal and Godly. In fact if the Holy-Writ had hinted at our recent past, and also telling of one who should come for civil redemption; by those signs we should have known him. He was peculiarly fitted for the great office of President.

During the prosecution of the great war he was also a sufferer, was not ashamed to speak of himself as a sufferer. He said that whatever burdens fell on other men, that the greatest fell on him. "All that a man hath," quoted he, "will he give for his life," insisting further that while others contributed of their substance, he put his life at stake and "often" yielded it up in his country's cause. No one will doubt that he was struck to "death" spiritually, often enough, when knowing his gentle qualities; he the gentlest, the best, was "fated" to preside over the greatest war the world ever knew; he would have had the cup pass from him also, but 'twas not finished. His salvation from mental wreck was of the facts that he did not elect the struggle, that a humane principle was wrapped up in the struggle, and that God nor right-thinking man countenance the then existing conditions.

We, the Negroes, sometimes stop to question his motives for such and such act, insisting that he was driven to what he did as a war measure, as if we were able to scan Lincoln's great mind. The most of us have done this at times, training our glasses on what he did to discover insincerity and demagougery. But as time advances the importance of his acts stands out, leaving but little chance for skeptical inquisitiveness. We may as well conclude with the rest of the world, that his mission was but little short of that of the One greater than himself. The Emancipation Proclamation was the new civil dispensation to the world; not only were the American Negroes immediately benefited, human slavery wheresoever received a backset and human liberty registered high.



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CHANGES IN THE WASHINGTON, D. C. SCHOOLS.

Sweeping changes are contemplated in the public schools of Washington, D. C. A bill has been favorably reported by the Senate, having in view a reorganization. In event of the bill being enacted into a law, a Director of Education will head the schools, in whom will be vested the former authority of Superintendent, assistant superintendent of white schools, assistant of colored schools and secretary to board supervising principals will be known as assistant directors, and of whom there will be seven; two of these will be colored.

The colored people will lose three members of the school board, which is felt to be serious, because it is a loss in representation. From a monetary standpoint they will have the assistant superintendent, salary, $3,000, four supervising principals, salaries from $2,200 to $2,700. The total of salaries will not be greatly different, since the town directors will draw $3,500 each. Yet here is noted a financial loss amounting to something like $1,000, proving a slight routing of the colored forces. It is contended that the colored people have brought on themselves trouble by continued agitation.

Little less than a year ago Roscoe Conkling Bruce, a graduate of Harvard, afterwards a teacher and conductor of the normal department of Tuskegee, was called to an assistant superintendency of the Washington schools. It was an unfortunate move, judging by the subsequent happenings. The doings of the schools, owing to complications, received an airing that did them no good. Charges were filed against young Mr. Bruce, and against the superintendent, followed by investigation, the outcome of which was that the superintendent of schools quit his office. Now it appears that Mr. Bruce will be legislated out of his office. In the passing of the supervising principals the position of W. T. B. Williams, of Harvard, a principal afterwards in the Indianapolis Schools, later on a financial agent of Hampton, will be jeopardized since his hope will be one of the directorships. It is said that there are already many applicants for these two choice plums, but looking at the situation from this distance, Bruce and Williams will loom up big in the contest. The experience of those men taken with the schools came from will say much in their favor. Then there is a sense of justice of looking out for those greatly prepared; not leaving them to merely the win of chance or favoritism beyond that begotten of pure merit.

COLUMBUS, O., HOTEL NOTES.

Brig. Gen. R. Delaney and Asst. Ajt. Gen. Daniel Myers, of Piqua, Ohio, were at the Litchfield Hotel Sunday and Monday. General Delaney sends regards to General Buckner of Indiana. .... The Grand Lodge officers of Ohio were in Columbus Sunday. They called a meeting at the Litchfield Hotel. The K. of P. were shocked to hear of Sir Stark's death. May he rest in peace. .... Lewis Henderson, better known as "Slim," is booked at the Clark Theater. He will do a comedian stunt. Slim would like to hear from Joe Hheatley and others. .... Miss Georgia Sanford, the little waitress at Stewart's Cafe, will be glad to meet all strangers at the professional headquarters. .... For good service and lodging stop at the Stewart Cafe. Neatly furnished rooms. .... Mr. Curtis Brown, proprietor of Brown's Cafe and buffet, and his crew, Charles Coleman at the bar in the daytime and Adam Dunston at night, and Mr. Ernie Hall, manager and Samuel Young, of Chicago, booker and secretary, will entertain all strangers and friends. .... Mr. Al G. Rogers is in Buffalo, N. Y., on business. .... Gene Boon and Forest Hamilton left for Charleston, W. Va., the 7th. .... Pete Laws, the noted horse trainer, has in charge two promising horses. Pete says he will get the "bacon" this summer. They are owned by W. H. Litchfield. .... Wm. Henry is at the Litchfield again. .... Winslow & Henry are doing the business. They keep the little cafe at the end of the bar. .... Rufus Harris is at Sam Clark's bar. Mr. Harris was formerly at the Abyssinia, at Indianapolis, Ind. .... A. Parker will be glad to see all strangers and friends at the gun shop, with his assistant, Mr. Lynch.

FRENCH LICK, IND.

Mrs. Sue Guthier served a delicious 6 o'clock dinner last week in honor of Misses Annie Johnson and Lizzie Lane of Louisville, Ky. Those present were: Mrs. Frank Williams, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Potter, also Miss Ida Webster, of West Baden; Miss Austin, of French Lick; Mrs. Hillman, of Chicago, and Mr. Gaither, of Cincinnati.

DON'T NEGLECT THE FARM.

Some Valuable Advice for the Many Regro Farmers.

"Shall we permit the Negro to live upon his territory, getting the least out of the soil or shall we, by education and proper industrial training, fit him to get the most out of the soil?" —Booker T. Washington, at Carnegie Hall, New York.

It was a forcible plea, one that helped secure Mr. Washington the very much-needed funds for running his institution, where is carried out the idea involved in the plea; it is the one that has secured him his vast thousands that gave shape and fashion to his former "drerams," it will be the one that will have the most weight with thoughtful men whenever and wherever a "beginning" race is the subject, and under similar circumstances. Some of us feel that the whole business—plea and the answering of plea—are not the lights to hold up before the race, when, in fact it is just the thing. These, however, have themselves in mind and not the true condition of the race, or the race mass. Every proposition that does not shine, does not scintilate, full breathing of things accomplished, or to be accomplished, that does not glitter and glare, is set down as a menace to the march of progression.

If Mr. Washington's doctrine of the fields, the shops, is the larger go, it should not be attributed so much to the disposition of the American white people to see Negroes in the "humbler pursuits, as it should be to the reiging idea that beyond the thing of prejudice is that great first principle already enunciated of fields, of the shop and allied industries that have marked the progress of all nations to affluence and oppulence. Even the most favored nations to-day have their masses similarly employed—in the fields, in the shops, while those less favored are practically entirely of those pursuits. It says plainly enough, that a nation rightly based has its foundation deep, deep in the soil.

The Negro mind has been trained away from that idea; that is, far too much; but in justice to the race it can be said that the greater number are engaged, as it pertains to a single vocation, are in the pursuit of agriculture. But there should be more; and the tendency has not been strong enough in its favor, according ot opportunity presented there in contrast with the lack of opportunity to engage in a pursuit on one's own account elsewhere. True enough, th ewhite people are leaving the fields, a thing deplored by them. They have strong attractions in the cities; the ten thousand inhabitantsa nd mor of those immense sky-scrapers in the greater cities are of their own race; opportunity looks good to them. Then there are the ten thousand stores and business places, where opportunity appears also equal. The wheel of fortune will revolve in their favor in event they prepare and wait. It is the rule; but there are exceptions. Many languish and spiritually die, and yes, physically, too, waiting, like Micawber, of Charles Dickens fame, for something to "turn up." Here follows the demonstration of the love for the one rather than the ninety-nine—the prodigal that strayed, rather than those securety of the fold, restraining as many as possible from taking such dangerous chances, lamenting for those lost, swallowed up in the great vortex of untoward affairs.

It will not benecessary to say that the industrial conditions mentioned have no such look to the Negroes; skyscrapers do not team with black humanity. The ten thousand and more business places of populous cities do not throb and pulsate with Negro life. Prepared or otherwise, the wheel of fortune as it is best understood, has but one color of paddles and life at its best is by a sort of sufferance or tolerance—out of the pale of gravitation, so to speak—not influenced or conducted by the common laws that regulate general society. Then those conditions where are the greatest opportunity for making headway are to be cultivated—the fields, the shops. The masses want to be legitimately, definitely employed, where there is a sense of security, not dependent on caprice, but on one's own endeavor; it is the higher life in the field of industrialism, and to which as many as possible should ascribe. The unusual civil conditions call for more of the life of method, routine, certainty, all of which will make for a people of worth and worthy of that kind of respect paid to industrious nations. Switzerland is not a great country, but the world thinks of its industrious people. If our watches says "Switzerland," we are proud because we own them. If our laces come from Belgioum we tell them to be of extra value; neither is that a great country except along the line of industry. So our race may gain distinction in the field, in the shop, that will give the people a rating that is enviable also. Not only to win sustenance through the reduction of stubborn fiields through processes worked out in class rooms and experimental stations, but that sweet content born of the husbandman who has sewed well and reaped in accord, and should abide in ten thousand vales that laugh again in reply to marry mouthed children whose laughter is the fatness of the fields.

THE UNEXPECTED IN THE CHURCHES.

A writer in the Philadelphia Courant expressed himself as very much surprised at what he heard and saw in one of the churches of that city. He said that the sermon was all right, and the othe part of the services ritualistic—formal, in fact, finde secle. At the conclusion, however, notices of all kinds were read, of entertainments galore, of houses for rent, of white washing, some one was willing to do, of furniture cars for hire, etc. One at first would think the writer drew on his imagination for some of the announcements, but when he said that everything announced was fervently recommended by the preacher, it is time to grow thoughtful and "reflexive."

All of this, according to the writer, took place in that dear Philadelphia. But we dare say he exaggerated a trifle simply to adorn his tale. It is certain enough, nevertheless, that announcements were made that were quite foreign to church purposes. That city is not alone in the matter. It is a necessity in certain localities where the church is the only general means of communication, as is the case in many of the smaller cities. The time has not been some time since all of the churches found it helpful to serve the communities as bureaus of information, intelligence offices, post offices and other agencies that promoted the welfare of the colored people. The older people everywhere will remember very well those days—real community days, yet they were not thought of in that light.

These were the days when the newspapers could not have been read, had they circulated ever so freely; it was when the neighbor's boy or girl read the letters for the grown-up people, and wrote their letters. Most of the boys and girls then read and wrote those letters will yet remember the old familiar forms, varying but very little at any time for any letter. They were as Cyrano De Bergerac's love, but when his friend who is also in love with the same individual, and unconscious of Cyrano's heart, asks Cyrano to write a letter to her for him, since he could not write, Cyrano forthwith pulled out his own letter, and at which his friend objected, saying it would not suit. Take it, says Cyrano, it will suit her. Those letters were of a given form, the form often extending more than half through the letter. There was but very little for the older persons to suggest. Often there was nothing to suggest, "jus fix it up foh me, you knows bettrn I what's to say." And when that ad lib was given there was some spreading on. That time has past and every man is doing his own thinking and writing. Changes are also the expected elsewhere.

We westerners have felt that way down East things were much different to what the writer says and heard. General education and the newspapers, the printing press, are conventionalizing things, and gradually the modern church in the larger cities are dropping the practice of announcing matters which break in on the sanctity of church services.

It is for the best, for say what you may, ritualism and form impress and there should be no counter attraction that smacks of the outside world. Render those things unto Ceasar due him, but for those things Christly, tender with fear and trembling, is it not in the sense of physical or mental fear, but that of superior love a sense of unworthiness of his presence, as Moses when near the burning bush—took off his sandals, because of holy ground.

OLEAN, N. Y.

Rev. W. F. Coffey preached ably Sunday...The trustees of the A. M. E. Church are preparing to give a concert the 21st...Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Ross, Mrs. Jessie Loukins, Misses Agnes, Josephine and Edna Maybee, Mrs. Carrie Johnson attended the funeral of Harry Davis at Bradford the 31st...Mrs. Jennie Mann of Corning was called here by the death of her grandmother, Mrs. Susan Wright... Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ragland and Mrs. Draper of Bradford also attended the funeral...Clyde Logan, Jerome Collins, E. Molson of Bradford were here last week...John Maybee of Pittsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Scott of Jamestown were here last week... Wm. Simmons was in Bradford last week...Ralph Hill of that city is visiting his father...Little Letah Collins is ill.

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Subject to decision of Republican Primary Election.

For Commissioner Second District,

Louis Bauer,

Subject to the Republican Primary

For County Commissioner, 2d District,

John R. Allen,

Subject to the Decision of the Republican Primary Election

For Representative from Marion County

Lewis Shank,

Subject to the Decision of the Republican Primary.

—VOTE FOR—

Michael Jefferson

FOR ASSESSOR.

Republican Primaries.

For Representative from Marion County

Willis N. Coval,

Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,

James M. Ogden.

Subject to Marion County Republican Primary.

For Representative from Marion County,

John F. Engelke,

LAWYER.

Subject to Republican Primary.

For Representative from Marion County

Frank C. Olive,

LAWYER

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Subject to Republican Primary Election

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Linn D. Hay,

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To The Freeman.

Dear Elwood—I am enjoying life in the old country. Just finished pantomine and will start on the Stoll tour for 54 weeks booked solid, not a break and good money, touring the country in my own motor car, 30-horsepower American Ford special. I am my own mechanic and driver. I had Billy Farrell, Johnson and Dean out down to Brighton last Sunday and we had a lovely time. If you come over your expenses won't cost you anything while you are here. I am singing French and speaking it as well and do a French show in one of my shows.

The majority of colored acts are doing well, but you know some of them would not do well in heaven. They are a class that I am really ashamed of and sorry that they don't do as others that they see are successful. I can only mention a few and dare not mention the others.

I have received The Freeman quite often but not regular. As soon as I finish with them I send them to others. Charley Walker, an old pal of mine, who is blind, is doing well and he deserves it, for he, like myself, works hard for it and doesn't depend upon others. I have an offer to come to America to star, but it will take a big inducement to pull me out of Old England, although I like America and did well there and in Australia, as I have accomplished the three greatest English-speaking countries in the world, to say nothing of France and others. I think I have reached as far as I can go. Now I want a theatre to produce my plays and successes.

The Madame is quite well at this writing and looking better than she has for years. I had a record run last Sunday from Dundee, Scotland, to London, 325 miles, average 30 miles per hour on fairly good roads. I had a fine British bulldog given me by Mr. Plummer, a colored man who came over here some years ago from Florida and married a French widow who had nothing but money and set him up in business and he has made a grand success in the photographing line. He speaks French and German.

I will be sending you a picture of my car and the madame and would like for you to publish same to show what the old Indianapolis boy has done for the race and what can be done if you are a gentleman and artist. I am very glad to note so many colored theatres going up in America and hope they will continue. If you remember, I mentioned this some time before I left and think the old homestead should be the next to fall in line. Why do not the colored people do their share of patronizing shows, and why don't they do something for themselves? When they wake up to the fact (and it shouldn't be long) that they must be self-supporting and not dependent upon the white people, the quicker they will get recognition. Recognition is the soul and substance of success, and then don't let it upset them as submissive with money as you would without. Then it shows that you can stand prosperity, otherwise your prosperity won't stand. You can be honestly clever as well as rascally clever. The former will always win.

Col. Thompson and I came out of the same school in Yandes street and I have always read his Short Flights with great interest and I note in my memory that he was out of the ordinary even in school, as well as several others — Allen Sims, Wesly Bridges and Eddie Smith. I suppose the latter are living, although I have seen neither for years. I often think of the old home and the people, surroundings, etc., but don't long for my boyhood days, as blacking boots, selling papers and carrying samples was my stronghold. I was the first to sell The Freeman and the World, the first colored papers printed in Indiana.

I was the first colored man to have his picture in the Police Gazette. I bought the last suit of clothes poor old Peter Jackson wore to his grave. I seconded Young Peter Jackson in his first fight in England. I seconded poor little George Dixon in his last fight at the National Sporting Club in England against Owen Moran, and was the first colored man to produce a pantomine in Paris and Drury Lane. So you see my career has not been without some marked significance, which all goes to show that I have done something outside of America, and you know what I have done there without any further controversy.

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Yours as before,
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AMERICAN JUBILEE SINGERS.

Cardiff, South Wales,
Thursday, March 19, 1908.

Dear Mr. Knox—I told you I would write you some news about the old world. This company on Saturday, March 14, made their first appearance in the principality as the American Jubilee Singers and the topnotcher of all companies in the same line of work. You know Wales boasts of her great singers. Patti don't live very far from Wales. But Saturday, the 14th, the American Jubilee Singers carried the house with such storm of applause that I myself had to come to the platform and hold up both hands to quiet them and promise them Sunday night I would supply their wants.

The Welsh singers thrill and warble, but when that ebony male quartette walked to the footlights the loud proclaimed was they never heard such harmony. Sunday the company was to sing one number ("Steal Away to Jesus" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot") then again the male quartette after we sang to the Brotherhood. After church dismissed the company was invited to dine and participate of the hospitality of our honored guest, ex-Mayor Beavan and son. We, the American Jubilee Singers, were the guests of the alderman sons and afterward he accompanied the company to the Y. M. C. A. through the fine and clean city of Cardiff.

The people looked on with wonder as if to say who are those colored people? as the class that was escorting us caused such an excitement. After we sang at the Y. M. C. A. a few jubilees, we were escorted to our quarters and a gold piece and sovereign were slipped quietly into my hand and these words were related: "Accept this from me, a token of future friendship." Of course I did so, as I needed the every hour.

Mr. Knox, this is a great country to live in. They teach in Sunday school and public school and Brotherhood meetings, this one thing: that skin has nothing to do with person. We must remember we are all brothers and sisters and in the daily teaching they don't use the word "Negro" at all. We paid special attention to that. They use "Colored" instead of "Negro." Then again it is the custom for the British if you ask him a question and he answers and you then say "Much obliged," he will reply "Thank you," meaning that you have honored him or her by asking and they in return feel proud to thank you for so doing. We have in such a short time adapted that so quick.

I will soon return on account of my summer work, but will return for the winter because we will be booked solid. Mr. Robert Jenkins, the deep profunder, cleaned up with the laughing song. None of the bass white can touch him. Now this is a bad country if you have no gold, but if you have gold you may go anywhere you please instead of being threatened with mob violence. Then the police here are different. They don't carry a tree to knock somebody down. They are polite and escort you and direct you right instead of saying, "Move on." They seem to realize they are hired to protect you instead of insulting you.

I will soon be home, as the season is practically over. Will return for summer work. I met Mr. Chas. Payne, old Fisk tenor; Mr. Caldwell, old Fisk bass; Mr. Lewis. They were singing with their quartette on the vaudeville circuit. They have been together fifteen years. They make a great hit because they are popular favorites. But they are no match with my quartette. They are aged men and their voices have been used for some time, but they aer good for they could not get by so easy here, for America is hard to please. But this is a good country. Company sends regards.

The personnel of this great company now in Wales: Daniel W. Brown (manager), first tenor; W. Finly, second tenor; H. Young, first bass; R. W. enkins, second bass; Mrs. Anna C. De Acklen, soprano; Ethel McGee, soprano; Madam Alexine Bright, soprano and reader; Mrs. Ellennett Hamilton, contralto.

Now I will close as I remain

Yours truly,
DANIED W. BROWN.

SCRANTON, PA.

Mrs. Grimes, mother-in-law of Samuel Howard, 1036 North Washington avenue, is quite sick at her residence...Dr. J. T. Askew, financial agent of Wilberforce University, gave a grand address at the educational meeting held at Howard Place. ...The Quarterly meeting will be held at the A. M. E. Church, Howard Place, Palm Sunday. Dr. W. B. Anderson, the presiding elder, and Dr. T. E. Wilson from Wilkesbarre will conduct the meeting...The Rev. Dr. Oswell preached a most inspiring sermon at the Howard Place A. M. E. Church Sunday...Mrs. Frank Brown, who has been with us for the past two weeks paying a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Crampton, left for her home, Emmitsburg, Pa., on Monday...Ernest Howard will spend a few days with relatives and friends in Emmitsburg.

NORTH FORT WORTH, TEX.

At the St. Paul Baptist Church the W. H. M. S. elected the following officers last Monday evening: Mrs. Nonie Edwards, president; Mrs. Anna Chatman, vice president; Mrs. Ida Williams, recording secretary; Mrs. Eva Garrett, treasurer...Mrs. Lizzie Hawkins and daughter, Miss Georgie Johns, left for Terrell Wednesday... The Nanny Burrough Club, composed of many of our good women, is doing some very effective work.

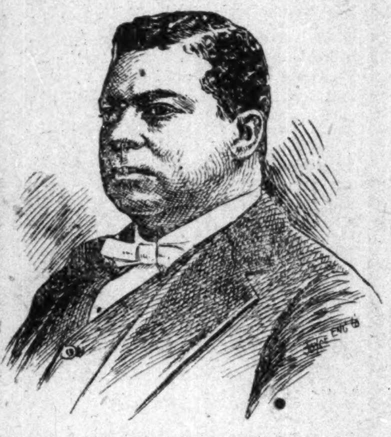
The Freeman can be found in Hot Springs, Ark., at 406 Malvern ave., Miss S. L. Bell, agent.

A BANK FOR WASHINGTON,

Dr. E. W. Lampton Asked to Head the New Institution.

Dr. E. W. Lampton, financial secretary of the A. M. E. Church, has been asked by influential citizens of Washington, D. C., to start a bank in that city. The solicitation is quite a compliment for the secretary, bespeaking his integrity and ability. The Washingtonians want a sure go this time. The inglorious end of its former bank compels extra caution as to how they go about the organization for the future.

Perhaps a bank in that city is not essential, but as long as present conditions exist there and everywhere there are colored people in large numbers it is well to enter into every known business pursuit. Diversity of employment makes for a people; "stagnated" to a few occupations is too much after the order of class, a condition the Negroes can no more afford to fall in, as a whole, than any other race. If they do not have banks and every other needful institution it will be clearly their own fault. There are no disposition or laws hindering them. Heretofore we have thought to have been oppressed because not asked to take part in the banks by white men, never thinking that the field was open for such institutions by colored men. In the more recent years this feeling of dependence has changed, especially in the South, where the banking business has been of phenomenal growth. The spirit is spreading northward, and for the better, since it is the "Open Sesame" for concomitant enterprises. And when speaking of these enterprises the thought is that they afford diversity of employment, class employment, if we may use the expression, but of diversity, caring for those whom nature and schooling have endowed with superior abilities, thereby breaking up the "broad and hard" discontent and envy that begets discontent.


DR. E. W. LAMPTON.

Really, the statesmanship of the nation, the general nation, could do no better thing than to direct effort along the line of general employment. The future good of the country demands suitable employment for capable Negroes. The Government is not ignorant of conditions, yet it must be private effort that promotes the welfare of the Negroes. It is a Carnegie, a Jeanes or an Armstrong, or others, who contribute of their means to the ends of Negro prosperity and respectability. True enough, the Government is not in the ward business, but there are sometimes conditions that require the unusual in order to obtain the best results. Industrial schools that are strictly industrial should at least receive Government support. The Negroes are not so helpless as the Indians, yet theirs is a similar case—they are struggling to rise with the odds against them. With the foundation well grounded, banks or what not would take care of themselves, coming as a logical sequence and not of an enforced growth, as it sometimes appears today. That the institutions by Negroes have come by whatsoever method is complimentary to the race; they stand for race completeness, indicative of the struggle to reach the destiny of the best nations. A little more support and cheer from those abundantly able to give them and the race problem will be in its best possible condition.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

The Sunbeam Lodge and St. Charles Lodge, K. of P., of Oklahoma City, held their eleventh annual anniversary at the A. M. E. Church on the 29th. The speaking was the best treat among our people for years. Notably the welcome address by Attorney Wm. Harrison of this city, who touched the friendship and fidelity of a true Pythian in a most masterly manner. The Rev. Dr. Jas. A. Johnson delivered the annual sermon and his illustration was the best ever heard by an Oklahoma audience. The sisters of the Courts of Calantha were out in great numbers and were received by the Rev. in his remarks as the most tried and loyal women in the fraternal world. The rendering of a duet by Miss Bentley and J. Sparks was among the numbers on the program and was highly appreciated by the audience...Mrs. R. Walker of the Walker Cafe has been quite ill at her residence for a few days...F. S. Phillips, the up-to-date naphtha dry cleaner of ladies' skirts and presser of gentlemen's garments, is now located at No. 7 South Santa Fe street...Don't fail to get The Freeman.

PADUCAH, KY.

The Order of the Eastern Star will have their Thanksgiving sermon April 19 at Harrison street Baptist Church...Mrs. Sandy Alexander is visiting in Jackson, Miss...Dr. Frazir has gone to Chicago for future residence...Dr. Clarence Dawson has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he attended school...Mr. Marble died at his home on Washington street...Mrs. Marble carried the remains to Jackson, Miss., for burial. Henry Givins is dangerously ill...Mrs. Owens of Washington street is ill...J. H. Hasley is going to Mayfield on business...Mrs. Savage has returned to Chicago after spending the winter with Mrs. Fonds on Ohio street...Hubert Jackson fell and sprained his right hand...Miss Hallie Burks has recovered from a recent illness...Mrs. Al Dawson gave an entertainment in honor of her guest, Mrs. Robt. Marshall, of Quincyville...Mrs. Belle Moore has returned home afte rspending several weeks with her friend, Mrs. Nannie Smith, in Nashville, Tenn...Mrs. Flora Dunlap has returned home after a short visit in St. Louis...The Freeman on sale at 707 Tennessee street. J. A. Lindsey.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

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Fred S. Plummer, who has been on an extensive western tour, has returned to the city.

J. A. Bishop of Terre Haute was in the city this week. Mr. Bishop is the oldest policeman in point of service in that city.

The Woman's Club will be entertained Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ada Goins in West Twelfth street. Miss Mary Harvester will be hostess.

The members of Barnes M. E. Chapel tendered the pastor, Rev. Prentiss who is entering upon his sixteenth year of service in that church, a reception last Monday night.

The annual sermon of the S. M. T. U. B. F. and Juvenile will be delivered at Tomlinson Hall the fourth Sunday in May. C. W. Rice, chairman of committee; Flora Crawford secretary.

The East End Ladies Emergency Club will give an entertainment at the Toussaint L'Ouverture Club Rooms in Yandes street Thursday evening. Mrs. Tabitha Alexander is president and Mrs. Ada Jones, secretary.

The Interdenominational Meeting of Colored Ministers of Indianapolis and vicinity adopted a resolution commending the chief of police who has given assurance that the Easter Sunday night dance will not be given, and condemning the Skidoo Club for purposing to desecrate the sanctity of the Christian Sabbath,

The Young Girls Missionary National Training School Club of Indianapolis was organized last Sunday afternoon. The following officers were elected: Herbert Webber, president; Belle Bennett, vice-president; Lavinia Johnson, corresponding secretary; Laura Averett recording secretary; Mattie Tucker, treasurer; Beatrice Webber organist. A meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon at the home of Belle Bennett in Davidson street.

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EASTER SERVICES.

The Y. C. W. P. A. will give a special program at True Reformer's Hall at 3 o'clock.

The Knight Templars of Gethesemane Commandry, No. 14, will hold services at Simpson Chapel at 7:30 p. m.

The choir of Allen Chapel will give a special program at night, At the morning services Rev. Sampson will deliver a short sermon and a regular Easter service will be held.

FOR REV. J. S. BAILEY.

A reception will be given Rev. J. S. Bailey, who has been appointed pastor of Simpson Chapel for the third year, at the church Wednesday evening. The following program will be given;

Welcome Address....Hon. G. L. Knox
Response............Rev. H. L. Herod
Solo..............Mrs. Biddie Ritchie
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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

That Simpson Chapel will be crowded on Easter Sunday afternoon goes without saying when it is known that Bishop John H. Vincent will be the speaker of the public meeting of the colored Y. M. C. A., which will be held in this church. In dadition to Bishop Vincent, Mrs. Fred A. Patridge will sing, as will also the Simpson Chapel Choral Society, who with the colored Y. M. C. A. orchestra will give a thirty-minute program beginning promptly at 3 p. m. Rev. C. W. McColl, pastor of the Witherspoon United Presbyterian Church, will give the Scripture reading. This meeting is looked forward to with a great deal of interest by the management of these meetings. Bishop Vincent's subject "Home Life" is one that will appeal to all, it being of great interest to our people. These meetings are open to men, women and children.

The annual meeting of the association will be held in the rooms on April 23, Thursday evening next, at 8 p. m. The principal business being the election of seven members to the board of directors. All members are requested to be present.

A large crowd is expected to turn out to the basket ball tournament on Monday. The Reds and the Blues will meet for the first time. These teams are tie for the first place and a hard fight is expected. The public is invited to attend these games, which are held every Monday evening.

PADUCAH, KY.

Rev. S. V. Smith of Washington Street Baptist Church preached the Woman's Missionary sermon at the C. M. E. Church last Sunday evening...J. Francis Wilson of Harrodsburg, the State organizer of the B. Y. P. U., was here last Thursday and left Friday for Mayfield, Ky...D. R. Rucker and Jesse Morton entertained a skating party last Thursday night. ...Mrs. Alexander has returned home after visiting two weeks in Jackson, Miss...Mrs. G. Wright of Evansville has returned to her home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Anderson...Miss Bessie Credley of Houston, Tex., is visiting her mother, Mrs. White, South Fifth street... Mrs. Copton is very sick...Mrs. Jas. Merriweather is visiting her mother at Clarksville, Tenn...Rev. J. O. Griffin, pastor of Harrison Street Baptist Church, has carried on a successful revival, having forty-five conversions and baptized thirty-seven last Sunday...Hon. Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee Schools will address the colored people some time in May on temperance...Prof. T. D. Hibbs is still holding the Garfield school down. He is an excellent teacher...For The Freeman call 944 Old Phone; J. A. Lindsey.

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.

Rev. A. A. Gordon was in Dallas one day last week...Rev. J. W. Frieson has started revival services at his church...Mrs. Emma Watson of Dallas spent a few days in the city last week visiting relatives and friends...Jim Nunn has improved one of his houses on Murdock street. ...Johnson Hill is expecting his sister, Mrs. Nora Slaughter, from Fairbanks, Alaska, in the near future...

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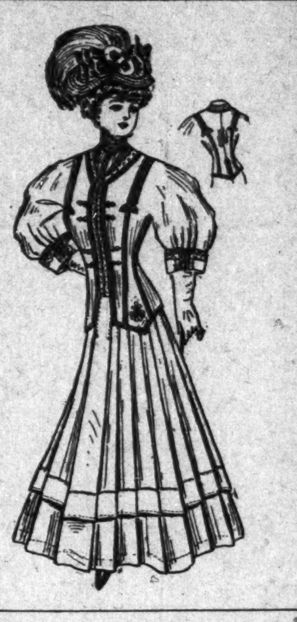

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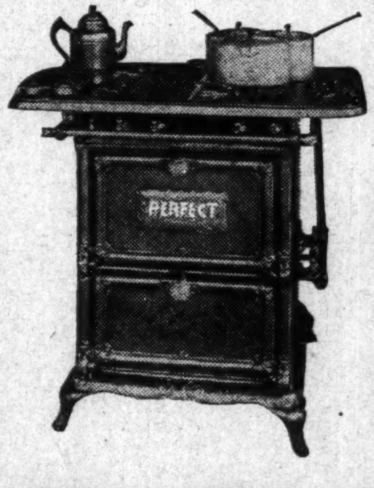

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